THE WEATHER.

Fair and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday probably rain, followed by much colder; moderate south winds.

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OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS.

Mr. Dooley says it occasionally smashes in the door—take a look over the Business Local columns of today's paper.

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MADRIZ FORCES BOMBARD A CITY

Attempt to Re-Captura Matagalpa and Defeat Revolutionists.

THE WARFARE IN NICARAGUA

Tense Situation at Managua—Commander of Squad Who Executed Americans, Killed—Want Peace Negotiations.

Managua, Nicaragua, Feb. 14.—Heavy field guns posted on the hills by the Madriz forces yesterday began a bombardment of Matagalpa, which on February 1st was taken by the revolutionists under General Chamorro. Prior to the opening of the bombardment, the government notified the American consular agent at that city, William H. DeSavigny, so that the non-combatants could withdraw. Mr. DeSavigny protested against the bombardment, which nevertheless was carried out.

The Madriz troops were under command of General Lara. Subsequently the attack upon the city was abandoned, but it is likely to be resumed at any moment. The extent of the damage has not been ascertained.

The situation in Managua is tense, and no one can say what is likely to happen in the next few days, particularly in the event of the government forces failing to defeat the revolutionists. To add to the serious aspect of affairs at the capital it is known that there are hundreds here ready to take part with General Estrada and the other revolutionary leaders the moment their success is assured.

Captain Constantino Saenz, who was commanding the firing squad at the execution of the two Americans Groce and Cannon, was shot to death in the streets this afternoon by a Nicaraguan soldier. The excitement following this tragedy was intense, and it became necessary to call out all the police and to order reinforcements of 50 police from Leon.

A large number of additional political arrests have been made. Among the new prisoners is Alfonso Solorezano, who was Mexican vice consul here, but who yesterday was removed from that post.

Vice Consul Henry Caldera has received a telegram from Consular Agent DeSaviginy, at Matagalpa, transmitting the following letter from General Chamorro:

"You know of the battles fought during the last few days by my command in Sal Ramon and the taking by my troops of Matagalpa and Junotega and also six hours battle of the 11th, in which so much precious blood was shed on both sides. Being desirous to stop further bloodshed I authorize you to convey to Madriz my readiness to re-open peace negotiations. If he accepts notify me and I will notify General Estrada."

So far the only comment President Madriz has made on this message was that DeSaviginy was active in behalf of Chamorro. Rear Admiral Kimball has notified the belligerents on both sides that they will be held responsible for the persons and property of neutrals in Matagalpa.

The American consul at Managua, Jose Olivares, after riding all night, arrived today at Metapa, 12 miles from Matagalpa. The consul is accompanying a courier who came here recently and appealed to him to prevent the destruction of American property. Mr. Olivares at once decided to investigate the conditions for himself.

HANCHETT CONFESSES CRIME.

Boy Admitted Horrible Murder of Girl at Deland, Fla.

Deland, Fla., Feb. 14.—Request for a special term of court was made to Judge Jones, of the circuit court today for the trial of Ernest Hanchett, charged with killing Cleavie Tedder, the 14-year-old daughter of Perry Tedder, whom he had waylaid while on the road to the postoffice near her home.

After Hanchett was secretly hurried out of the county by Sheriff Smith yesterday, he is said to have confessed. Hanchett is being held in jail at Orando, Fla., 50 miles south of here, where he is closely guarded for fear of mob violence.

The Tedder girl was killed late Saturday afternoon after she had been dragged from her bicycle. Sixty-three knife wounds were found on the body; the clothing had been stripped.

Orlando, Fla., Feb. 14.—Sheric Gordon emphatically denied today that Ernest Hanchett, the young white boy arrested in connection with the assault on a girl named Tedder, near DeLand, had been brought here and placed in jail. Newspaper men here were allowed to search the jail, and this disclosed that young Hanchett is not a prisoner here.

MADISON HOTEL BURNS.

Fifteen Guests Have Narrow Escape —Loss is $15,000.

Madison, N. C., Feb. 14.—Fifteen guests had a narrow escape early this morning when the Hotel Madison, with all its contents was destroyed by fire. The loss is $15,000 insurance $4,000.

WILL TRY HE[illegible] FOR FRAUD

Secretary of "Sugar Trust" Not Entitled to Immunity is Opinion of Court—Entered a Plea of Not Guilty.

New York, Feb. 14.—Charles R. Heike, secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, the sugar trust, is not "unimmune", he must stand trial beginning March 1st next on indictments charging him with other employes of the company of conspiring to defraud the government by underweiging imports of sugar.

For weeks past counsel for Heike have attempted to prove before a jury in the United States Circuit Court that Heike should not be prosecuted in view of the testimony he gave before the grand jury which returned the indictments. It was ruled this afternoon that in the court's opinion the defendant was not entitled to immunity and accordingly he instructed the jury to bring in a formal verdict dismissing the plea interposed in the secretary's behalf.

In arguing for immunity counsel for Heike admitted his guilt, but maintained that though guilty his grand jury testimony was a bar to prosecution. This led the government lawyers to rescind their announcement that if the plea was not sustained the government would move for immediate sentence on the ground of admission of guilt. No such action was taken today, however. Heike's lawyers changed the plea to "not guilty" and time for trial was fixed.

In ruling against Heike today Judge Martin referred to the danger that would follow if indiscriminate pleas at bar were entertained or allowed and the opportunity it would give rich men to avoid the administration of justice. There has been no evidence, he said, to show that the government was animated by bad faith in bringing the defendant before the grand jury or that any effort was made to extract any testimony from the defendant that might be used against him.

CHANZY'S TERRIBLE FATE.

Sole Survivor of Steamer Tells a Thrilling Narrative.

Ciudadela, Baleric Islands, Feb. 14—Marcel Rodel, the sole survivor of the steamer General Chanzy, which was wrecked Thursday on a reef off the Island of Minorca, told a thrilling narrative, prior to his departure for France this evening, of the terrible expenses on board.

"When the Chanzy left Marseilles she encountered a rough sea and a northerly gale. The passengers were not apprehensive, however, and all retired on the night of the 9th in good spirits. At 5 o'clock the next morning I was awakened by a splitting crash, as if the ship's flank was being torn on a ledge. I dressed partially and hurried out of the cabin. Sailors were trying to re-assure the passengers, but their words had no effect on the crowd of men and women, many of whom were dragging children.

"The darkness added terror to the frightful scene. Enormous seas were breaking over the steamer. One sea ripped off a railing to which a score of women and children were clinging. Their shrieks as they disappeared were drowned by the roar of the storm.

"I saw that it was death to remain and being an excellent swimmer, I allowed myself to be carried off by the next wave. At the moment the sea swept shoreward, the air was rent by a violent explosion, the wreckage shooting over my head. I turned to look but the General Chanzy had disappeared. The horrible confusion was soon ended and the cries silenced, the beating storm alone remained. Evidently I lost consciousness, for I remembered no more until I came to on the rocks."

Rodel took refuge in a grotto at the base of a high cliff, where he passed a day and a night. With the wreckage he built barricades to keep off the sea and appeased his hunger with raw potatoes which had been cast in his cavern.

On the morning of the 11th he scaled the cliff and wearily dragged himself to the nearest habitation.

The recovery of bodies continued and they are buried as soon as they are photographed for identification.

VESSEL BOUND HERE LOST.

Schooner J. S. Hoskins, Sprung Leak, Abandoned at Sea Feb. 8th.

New York, Feb. 14.—Another wreck at sea has been written in the log of marine casualties from the Winter's storms by the sinking of the schooner J. S. Hoskins, which was abandoned at sea on February 8th, while bound from Baltimore to Wilmington, N. C.

Capt. Griffith and six sailors were taken off the Hoskins by the steamer Rhine which came into port today from Trinidad. The Hoskins, loaded with fertilizer, passed out of Cape Henry on January 25th and ran into strong seas and succeeding gales. She sprang a leak for seven days and all hands worked at the pumps to keep the vessel afloat.

HARDY WITHDRAWS SPEECH.

Criticism of Senator Bailey Blotted From the Records.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Though maintaining the right of a member of the Senate or House to comment upon the remarks and acts of a member of the other body by Congress, Representative Hardy, of Texas, today withdrew from the record his speech criticising Senator Bailey which had been delivered by him at Cameron, Texas, and put into the Record without having been actually delivered in the House.

A FEARFUL WRECK NEAR MACON, GA.

Eight Reported Dead and Many Injured in Crash of Trains.

COACHES ARE DEMOLISHED

Occurred on South Georgia & Florida Railroad—Mistake in Train Order the Cause—Several Known Dead.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 14.—Eight persons are reported dead, four probably fatally injured, their deaths being expected before sunrise, and 20 more or less seriously hurt as a result of a head on collision between southbound passenger train No. 5, and northbound train No. 2, on the Georgia Southern & Florida Railroad, 19 miles south of this city, tonight at 6 o'clock.

Among the dead are A. R. Johnson, of Macon, and Conductor Dupree, of train No. 5, of Kathleen, Ga. It is stated that the wreck was caused by the crew of No. 2 mistaking orders and running by Bonaire, where the train was ordered to meet No. 5.

The trains met with an awful crash, the two locomotives, baggage and express cars being totally demolished. Much trouble was experienced in extricating the bodies of the dead and injured from the mass of wreckage. Two relief trains went from this place.

It is known that one mail clerk was killed and two other members of the crews. It is stated that at least four white passengers were killed.

Train No. 5 is a local train running between Macon and Valdosta. No. 2 is a Jacksonville-Macon train and is said to have carried a heavy passenger list. The only means of communicating with the wreck is by means of a telephone two miles distant.

A Later Story of Wreck.

Five persons were instantly killed, eight seriously injured and a score slightly injured when passenger trains No. 2 and No. 5, on the Georgia Southern & Florida Railroad met head-on this afternoon at 5 o'clock, 19 miles below Macon, between Webster and Bonaire.

The dead are W. J. Yates, Macon, engineer on train No. 5; Flagman A. R. Johnson, Macon; Conductor I. B. Ingalls, Macon, traveling as passenger; Conductor Durpree, of Kathleen, Ga., traveling as passenger; one unknown white man.

The seriously injured are Leroy Fuss, engineer train No. 2, badly cut on head and chin; Robert Williams, colored, mail clerk, Macon, hurt in back; W. M. Elder, Worth, Ga., bruised in back; W. L. Wheeler, Wellston, bruised about trunk; J. F. Blount, Orangeburg, S. C., traveling salesman, painfully hurt about head; George Bernhart, flagman, painfully hurt on head; W. H. Carson, newsboy, cut on head; Loretta Putnam, colored, badly hurt in head and side.

It is said the accident was caused by the crew of train No. 2 misreading orders to meet train No. 5 at Bonaire.

The relief train sent from here got back at 11 o'clock with the dead and injured.

Both engines, the mail and baggage cars and two day coaches were completely demolished. The trains met on a curve.

The wreck occurred in Dismal Swamp. Several hours elapsed before medical aid reached the scene. Many women passengers bound the wounds of the injured with bandages torn from their clothing.

The body of Engineer Yates still lies buried beneath his engine.

LOWER COURT SUSTAINED.

Two Decisions Handed Down in Circuit Court by Judge Pritchard.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 14.—Two opinions were handed down by Judge Pritchard, in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals here today, which sustain the lower court in the case of the Columbus (Ohio) Iron & Steel Company, appellant, vs. the Kanawha & Michigan Railway, appellee; and the Houston Coal & Coke Company, appellant, vs. the Norfolk & Western Railway, appellee.

The lower court's ruling was that courts of equity have no right to fix a maximum rate, "either upon an independent consideration of what is a reasonable charge, or by relation to some other rate theretofore in force, and thereupon enjoin the carrier from demanding more than the rates established, inasmuch as such an order effectually deprives an interstate carrier of the right to fix its rates in the first instance, and to change the same, which power as it seems, is conceded by the interstate commerce act."

FIRE AT GREENVILLE, S. C.

Damage $30,000 to Plant of Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 13.—Fire, breaking out at an early hour tonight, did about $30,000 damage to the $100,000 plant of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. The loss is understood to be fully covered by insurance. The plant was located in the suburbs.

The blaze was spectacular the fire having originated in the acid chamber of the main building, and while it burned the explosion of tanks of sulphuric acid attracted great crowds from the city.

APPLAUD GLAVIS AT THE INQUIRY

His Denunciation of Federal Officials Caused Demonstration.

RESENTS VERTREES' CHARGE

Declared If Land Office Letters Were Found in His Belongings a "Frame Up" Has Been Prepared Against Him.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The Ballinger-Pinchot Congressional inquiry began to bristle with interest today when John J. Vertrees, counsel for Secretary Ballinger, undertook the cross examination of Mr. Glavis, witness for the "prosecution."

The climax of the day was reached late in the afternoon when Mr. Vertrees announced that a box belonging to Mr. Glavis and left in the grand jury room at Seattle had been broken open a few days ago and that a number of letters missing from the files of the land office in Seattle, copies of which have recently been published in a weekly paper, were found there in.

Glavis angrily declared that if any letters had been found in his belongings a "frame up" had been prepared against him. His denunciation of Federal officials, who would stoop to such a trick to win the favor of their superiors, called out a demonstration of applause from the spectators, which caused Chairman Nelson to announce that a repetition of the outburst would result in the room being cleared.

Mr. Vertrees announced that C. A. Christiansen, Glavis' successor as chief of field division, would be called to testify to the finding of the letters.

At the morning session Mr. Vertrees drew from the witness the fact that he made no charges of corruption against any one in the land office or the Department of the Interior.

Glavis declared that if he had found evidence of corruption he would have taken the matter to a grand jury instead of to the President.

Through a process of elimination the witness cleared all of the officials of any wilful wrong doing. He asserted that he was fully convinced that the facts he had offered in evidence warranted the judgment that neither Secretary Ballinger nor Land Commissioner Dennett was fit to hold an office of public trust.

As to Assistant Secretary of the Interior Pierce, Glavis declared he had rendered an erroneous interpretation of the coal land law of May, 1908, and that this decision while not an act of wrong doing, indicated that he was not fit to fill the office he now holds. Dennett, Glavis declared, was nothing more than a "tool" for Ballinger.

At the afternoon session Glavis, in response to a question by Mr. Vertress, summed up the specific acts of wrong doing, which he charges against Secretary Ballinger. His statement was a long one, but was listened to with intense interest and really for the first time gave definite statement of the prosecution's case.

Mr. Vertrees indicated today that his cross-examination will be a thorough one. The inquiry will proceed tomorrow morning and it is expected that for some time to come early sessions will be held.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Stanlaws Zbysco won a handicap wrestling match from Yusiff Mahmout tonight, when the latter failed to get a fall in one hour. According to the terms of the match Mahmout was to throw Zbysco twice in 60 minutes or forfeit the purse and side bet.

OUTLINES.

Eight persons are reported killed and 20 injured in the wreck of two passenger trains near Macon, Ga., last night on the Georgia Southern & Florida Railroad——Speaker Cannon voiced his approval of the rivers and harbor bill yesterday from the floor of the House and sounded a note of warning to his colleagues——The Ballinger Pinchot inquiry was resumed yesterday with Mr. Glavis on the stand. He received the applause of spectators when he denounced Federal officials——The Madriz forces yesterday bombarded a city held by the rebels in Nicaragua. A tense situation prevails throughout that country——Jas. R. Keene, millionaire horseman and stock exchange member, yesterday explained his part in the Columbus and Hocking Valley Coal & Iron pool——A. R. Marsh, president of the New York Cotton Exchange, before the House Committee yesterday declared that Herbert Knox Smith's report was worthless——The schooner J. S. Hopkins, bound from New York to Wilmington, was abandoned at sea——New York markets: Money on call easy at 2 3-4 to 3 per cent., ruling rate 2 7-8, closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3. Spot cotton closed quiet, middling uplands 15.15, middling gulf 15.40. Flour firmer with a moderate inquiry. Wheat spot firm, No. 2 red 1.29 bid elevator and 1.29 nominal f.o.b. afloat. Corn spot steady, No. 2 72 1-2 elevator domestic, 73 delivered and 71 f.o.b. afloat nominal. Oats spot firm. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet.

APPROVES RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL

Speaker Cannon Favors Measure in Speech From Floor of House.

SOUNDS NOTE OF WARNING

To Republicans in Regard to Necessity For Orderly Procedure—Incidentally Directs Remarks at Democrats.

Washington, Feb. 14.—After considering the Rivers and Harbors Appropriation bill for about seven hours today the House succeeded in disposing of 70 of the 100 pages of that measure without making any important changes. A unique feature of the day's proceedings was a speech by Speaker Cannon, who gave his approval to the pending bill, incidentally telling the Democrats that if they should ever come into control of the House they would realize the necessity of providing methods of procedure that would allow them to transact business, or by inaction, disappoint the people who had placed them in the majority.

"If we lose sight of our own independence and of our own position for the time being there will come in our places better and wiser men, who will not lose sight of the necessity to provide for an orderly procedure under which a majority can work its will."

"Uncle Joe" Cannon, laying aside his gavel and speaking today from the floor of the House merely as the gentleman from Illinois, sounded the warning to his colleagues.

"Representative" Cannon arose for the purpose of lending his approval to the pending Rivers and Harbors Appropriation bill, but during his speech he took occasion to refer lightly to magazine and newspaper criticism and to remind the minority members that the power of the majority was futile, unless enforced by well oiled machinery and a well oiled machine. It was while Representative Fitzgerald, Democrat New York, had the floor that members were surprised to see the Speaker rise from a seat in their midst and inquire: "Will the gentleman from New York yield to me?"

"I will yield to the gentleman—I believe from Illinois," replied Mr. Fitzgerald smilingly.

Mr. Cannon told the House he who had voted for a river and harbor bill during Arthur's administration and explained that he had voted to pass the measure over the President's veto. He said he had had some trouble in justifying that vote before his constituents but he had done so. Referred to his trip down the Mississippi with President Taft in connection with newspaper attacks at that time, Mr. Cannon said:

"When I turned to come back from New Orleans, the criticisms I received and that many others received not founded on correct information, made me wonder whether I was afoot or horseback; whether I was I or somebody else.

"I expect we will continue to receive all kinds of correct and fake information that is fished for here and there," continued the Speaker, "in order that our great metropolitan journals may continue, some of them, to make their papers from day to day, like the Yankee made his razors, to sell. But I desire to say to the gentlemen on both sides of the House that in the last analysis, out of the two great organizations, the minority from time to time putting the majority on its good behavior, seeking to become the majority, will come correct legislation and correct appropriations, for the greatest good of the people of the republic."

EXPOSE TILLMAN SPEECHES

Senate's Order For Secret Letters in Case of Negro Collector.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Senators Tillman "pitchfork" eloquence in condemnation of former President Roosevelt's appointment of a negro collector of customs at Charleston S. C., which has lain in the Senate closet for executive secrets for more than two years, will be given to the public. The Senate today ordered the injunction of secrecy removed from all of its records in the case of Dr. William D. Crum.

The fact of the case is that all of the known records were given to the public at the time Crum failed of confirmation. The speeches by Senator Tillman in opposition to the nomination were never taken down by the Senate stenographers. Mr. Tillman, however, has copies of his speeches, and he desires very much to use them in forthcoming public utterances on the race question. He has hesitated to do so for fear that he would be charged with disclosing executive session proceedings which he is barred from doing by his oath of office.

The order issued by the Senate today therefore is a mere formality, which gives to the South Carolina Senator the right to fire at the public a cannonade of oratory which was volleyed at his colleagues behind closed doors.

AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Annual Inspection National Guard. Charters Granted—Commutations by Governor—W. L. Williams, Jr., Resigns as Examiner.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 14.—The annual inspection of the companies constituting the North Carolina National Guard is to begin in Raleigh Tuesday with the inspection of Company B., Third Infantry, and the Third Regiment Band. Colonel Thomas Stringfield, of Waynesville, Inspector General of the North Carolina National Guard, has already arrived here and some officer of the United States Army is expected to arrive in time to make the rounds for the inspection appointments.

The J. H. Wearn Co., Charlotte, is chartered with $125,000 capital for lumber, building material, hardware and other lines of business, the incorporators being W. R. and J. H. Wearn, K. R. Trotter and others. Other charters are to The New Supply Co., Murfreesboro, capital $3,000 by B. B. Winborne, Jr., and others for mercantile supply business, and to the Brevard Light and Power Co., Brevard, N. C., capital $40,000 by J. W. Chapman and others.

The P. H. Hanes Knitting Co., Winston Salem, amends its charter so that preferred stock shall have equal voting power with common stock and deferred payments of dividends on preferred stock shall bear 6 per cent. interest and so that the directors shall have power to change by-laws at will. P. H. Hanes is president of the company which recently more than doubled its capital by charter amendment and decided to erect an additional cotton mill at Winston-Salem.

Frank Purdee a young white man of Raleigh who was sentenced last July to five years in the penitentiary on the charge of systematic stealing from freight cars on the yards of the Seaboard Air Line here and of being the leader of a number of confederates while he was himself in the employ of the Seaboard as car inspector receives from Governor Kitchin a commutation of sentence to two years on the ground that the evidence in the case does not justify the conclusion that he was the leader of any band of car-breakers and that two years is sufficient punishment. Over 300 citizens signed petition for pardon.

Another commutation granted is for Colle Fisher, Rutherford county, serving four years for manslaughter. This sentence is reduced to two years from April 1909 the commutation being at the request of the trial judge who imposed the four-years sentence.

As a delegate on the part of North Carolina to the American Confederation of Medical Licensing Boards, Chicago, March 3rd Governor Kitchin commissions Dr. J. L. Nicholson, Richlands, N. C.

W. L. Williams Jr., has tendered to the Corporation Commission his resignation as Assistant State Bank Examiner, effective March 1st to accept a position with the Erwin Cotton Mills Co., of Durham. He has been assistant bank examiner for four years and a most efficient and satisfactory official. The Commission will elect his successor within two weeks.

Lieutenant Butler of United States Army, stationed at Fortress McPherson, arrived tonight under orders from the War Department to make the annual inspection of companies composing the North Carolina National Guards.

MARK O'BRIEN PASSES AWAY.

Official of Southern Express Company Expired Suddenly.

New York, Feb. 14.—Mark O'Brien, of the Southern Express Company, nephew of the late president of the company, Michael F. O'Brien, died suddenly in this city last night of apoplexy.

Mr. O'Brien returned only yesterday from Augusta, Ga., where he had accompanied his wife and children on a visit. He was taken suddenly ill and died almost instantly.

Mr. O'Brien, who acted as assistant to President Leary of the Southern Express Company, was 45 years of age, and leaves a wife and two children. He had been in apparently good health up to the time he was fatally stricken.

ADVANCE IN HOG PRICES.

Agitation Against Mead Does Not Affect Prices of the Packers.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—The widespread agitation against the high price of meat has failed to check the advance in hog prices, live hogs at the stock yards here selling today at the highest mark with one exception of the last 40 years. The new high point recorded today was $9.27 1-2 per 100 pounds and predictions were freely made that within a few weeks the $10 level will have been passed.

Continued light receipts of hogs at all western packing centers and an unusually active demand by Eastern shippers are the reasons for the persistent upward trend.

TAR HEEL A SUICIDE

Son. of Rev. T. J. Allison of Charlotte, Found Dead in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Feb. 14.—The body of the young man found dead yesterday in a cave in Fairmont Park with his face pillowed on a pile of cotton, saturated with cloroform, was identified today as that of Wilbur Allison, son of the Rev. T. J. Allison, of Charlotte, N. C. An empty bottle which had contained chloroform was found near the body and the police say Allison committed suicide. He had been missing from his boarding house for a week.

ROYAL ARCANUM AN ANNIVERSARY

Wilmington Councils Entertain in Behalf of State Jurisdiction.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Supreme Regent Clovis H. Bowen Recipient of True Cape Fear Hospitality—Oyster Roast—Banquet Last Night.

Unquestionably the greatest event in Arcanian circles in the Grand jurisdiction of North Carolina in many a year was the official visit to Cornelius and Carolina Councils, this city, of Hon. Clovis H. Bowen, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, the Supreme Regent of the great and rapidly growing order, and his coming was made a State occasion—an occasion for the gathering around the banquet boards in the ball room of the Masonic Temple last night of some of the most prominent members of the fraternity in North Carolina.

In the entertainment of the Supreme Regent the traditions of true Cape Fear hospitality were fully exemplified and judging by the comments of congratulation and thanks expressed by the various visitors, it is believed that they will long remember the City of Wilmington and the hearty reception they received. An automobile ride about the city and over some of the roads of the county in the morning, a bounteous luncheon at The Orion at 1 o'clock, followed by a trolley ride to Lumina, Wrightsville Beach, with an oyster roast at the Northrop Cottage, a reception and an elaborate banquet in the Masonic Temple last night were the main features of the day.

It was on the 9th day of January, 31 years ago that the Royal Arcanum was introduced in North Carolina and the first council was Cornelius Harnett, this city, so the visit of the Supreme Regent was regarded rather as a belated celebration of the 31st anniversary of the introduction of the great fraternity in this State. Arcanianism was brought to North Carolina largely through the instrumentality of the the lamented Nathaniel Jacobi, a prominent business man of Wilmington, a man known and beloved throughout the State. The speakers at the banquet last night frequently referred to Mr. Jacobi and the mention of his name was the signal for demonstration.

The Supreme Regent came to Wilmington upon the invitation of Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz of the jurisdiction of North Carolina to whom is due as much if not more than to any other member of the order the elaborate and most pleasurable entertainments provided for the distinguished guest. The Supreme Regent was invited to be here on the night of January 9th but he found it impossible to leave his business at that time so requested that the date be changed to February 14th. He arrived on the train from the North at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning and was met at the station by the reception committee composed of Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz Deputy Grand Regent James S. Hooper Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn secretary of Cornelius Harnett Council and Mr. L. D. Latta the retiring Regent of Carolina Council, and escorted to The Orton, where an informal reception was held. A short time later the visitor was taken for an automobile ride about the city and over some of New Hanover county's fine roads, returning to the hotel about 1 o'clock for luncheon.

Among those who had luncheon with the Supreme Regent were: Grand Regent Bonitz, Wilmington; S. M. Brinson, Supreme Representative, Newbern; John E. Ray, Raleigh; C. A. Johnson, Raleigh; Geo. M. Reagin, Albemarle; B. F. Warsley, Rocky Mount; W. P. Wootten, Wilson; F. W. Hancock, Oxford; E. T. Stewart, Washington, N. C.; E. L. Harris, Raleigh; T. C. Powell, Raleigh; S. M. Haughton, Leaksville; Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn and L. D. Latta, Wilmington; Thos. P. Johnston, Salisbury; W. H. Robbins, Raleigh; Dr. J. Howell Way, Grand Secretary, Waynesville; Col. H. C. Dockery, Supreme Representative, Rockingham; J. Well, Wilmington; Theodore Buerbaum, Salisbury, and J. D. Parker, Monroe.

At 3 o'clock the party named and some 50 or 60 other members of the order and visitors boarded a special suburban car at Front and Princess streets and went to Lumina Wrightsville Beach where some time was spent in viewing the great Atlantic. While grouped together at one of the finest pleasure resorts in the South, the pleasure seekers had their photographs taken by Mr. J. W. Buck. Leaving Lumina the Arcanians went to the Northrop Cottage, where they enjoyed to the fullest extent an oyster roast. Another photograph of the group was taken while gathered around the table partaking of the luscious bivalves. They returned to the city about 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Candidates Elected.

Early last evening Cornelius Harnett and Carolina Councils held brief sessions at which the applicants for membership recently secured by both councils were duly elected. Just after the reception last night and preceding the banquet these candidates were obligated and instructed by Supreme Regent Bowen. The members of the or-

der are: Messrs. W. R. Dosher, Albert Dosher, F. W. Kendrick, J. W. Buck, Daniel Quinlivan, W. F. Rutland, Jr., Geo. B. Harrell, H. G. Bowden, Wm. Hamilton, W. L. West, C. K. Davis, W. B. Cooper, M. McRae Woody, Roger Moore, J. F. Jarman, W. F. Tornz.

The reception committee was composed of Messrs. H. E. Bonitz, Dr. S. Mendelsohn, Fred W. Bonitz, L. D. Latta, Jas. S. Hooper, M. F. Allen, W. J. Toomer, C. E. Taylor, Walker Taylor, B. Solomon, R. H. Northrop, J. Weil, R. G. Rankin, Jr., Sigmond Bear, J. H. Rehder and J. H. Niggel, Jr.

A most pleasing incident occurred just before entering the banquet room. Supreme Regent Bowen presented to two members of the order silver spoons, gold lined, for the largest number of applications written since the last meeting of the Grand Council. Mr. S. M. Hampton, of Spray Council, wrote 64 applications and Mr. Herman Heller, of Raleigh, wrote 40. Mr. Heller was not present to receive the spoons and they were presented to Mr. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, a member of the same council. The spoons, the Supreme Regent explained, were designed and made by a member of the order. Even the metal was mined by a member of the order. The gifts were received in short but appropriate speeches.

The Banquet.

The doors to the banquet room were thrown open at 9:30 o'clock and it was truly a beautiful scene that met the gaze of those so fortunate as to be present. The decorations were of white purple and green—colors of the order and the scheme was carried out in every detail. United States flags were used in abundance, being emblematic of the Americanism of the order. The arches were decorated with Southern smilax and suspended beneath were festoons of electric bulbs, interspersed with white, purple and blue bells. The hall was brilliantly illuminated, hundreds of electric lights shedding their radiance from the walls and overhead. At each plate was found lovely bouquets of hyacinths, lilies of the valley, maiden hair fern and sweet peas, tied with white, purple and blue ribbons. The center piece was also representative of the colors of the order which were also carried out in the ice cream. Covers had been laid for over a hundred and practically every seat was taken. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn after which all were seated.

Seated at the head of the table was Supreme Regent Clovis H. Bowen. To his left was Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz and to his right, Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn, secretary of Cornelius Harnett Council. From the balcony Kneisel's Orchestra discoursed lively and altogether pleasing music throughout the evening.

The following was the menu under each item being a quotation from the ritual of the order:

Oyster Cocktail Crackers
"The first step into our mysteries."
Salted Almonds Olives Pickles
"One step more."
Roast Turkey Rolls Celery Peas
"The hungry feed the poor protect."
Tongue
"Protect a brother from defamation."
Punch
"It stands for strength."
Chicken Salad Mayonaise Dressing Biscuit
"No obstacle may here bar your progress."
Ice Cream Assorted Cakes
"How sweet the thought that Virtue dwells in every human breast."
Coffee Sweet Cream Cigars

Just before the last course was reached Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz arose and introduced to the banqueters the distinguished guest of the evening—Hon. Clovis H. Bowen of Pawtucket, R. I., in an address that more than sustained the reputation of the Grand Regent as a public speaker. His address will be found in full elsewhere in today's paper and will be found worth carefuly perusal. He was followed by Rev. Dr. Menhelsohn who extended the visitors a most sincere and cordial welcome to Wilmington and as a guest of the local councils. Dr. Mendelsohn's address will also be found in anotther column of today's paper. Following the service of the last course, the speaker of the evening, Supreme Regent Bowen, arose amidst the enthusiastic applause of the banqueters.

Supreme Regent Speaks.

The Supreme Regent said, in the beginning, that he had no set speech and found himself without words to properly express his exceeding gratitude at the warmth of the reception that had been accorded him when he landed in Wilmington. He appreciated the cordiality of the reception all the more because he believed it to be a demonstration of loyalty of the members to the Supreme Council and love for the order. He had experienced unlimited pleasure ever since he received from Grand Regent Bonitz an invitation to visit the Wilmington councils. His mind, during that time, had been reviewing the splendid work of this jurisdiction. Pleased and gratified was he at the work that has been done in this State. The influence of the great progress made in North Carolina has been strongly felt in other jurisdictions and the speaker declared that he should tell of the good work wherever he goes. "This jurisdiction stands No. 1," he said, "in the gain of membership." He then sopke of some of traditions of Rhode Island and modestly referred to the part his kinsman, Dr. Joseph Bowen, took in the Revolutionary war.

The speaker said that he desired to direct his remarks first to the veterans and next to the new members of the order. Speaking to the veterans in point of connection with the order he said: "You have made this organization, you have made the history of the order possible. From the inception of the order 32 years ago the veterans are the ones who should receive the credit for the Royal Arcanum. The laws put upon the statute books of the order are model ones and have been copied by other orders. We come to you tonight acknowledging the great gratitude we owe to you, but we say your work is not finished you must continue it and teach the young men who have just come in, tell them of its history and what they should do in the future." The speaker told of the great amount of money that has been received and paid out by the order without the misappropriation of a single cent. The reserve fund now amounts to more than $6,000,000. The money, he said, was being well taken care of and would be ready when called for. "You can not let this order go down. It was organized for the protection of the home and also for the fraternal spirit. The future of the order is just what you make it."

Directing his remarks more particularly to the young men just received into order he said: "Now to you young men who have just come in. We have given you the distinguished honor to be one of us. We say to you, that having been received into this order you are duty bound to preserve its honor and integrity. You have been given all its rights and privileges. We expect you, some day, to do the work of the order. I say we can make the work more glorious than ever by putting your shoulders to the wheel."

He related several intensely interesting as well as practical jokes, after which he again referred to the great growth of the order in this State the past year. North Carolina came first in the percentage column, while Rhode Island came fifth, but the speaker declared that if any State was to go ahead of his he preferred that State to be North Carolina. The speaker had been connected with the order for 25 years and during that time had influenced 125 persons to join and had also established two councils with money from his own pockets. He asked how many around the tables were satisfied with the gain made last year. Nobody rose. He then asked how many would help secure a gain of 250 per cent. in 1910 and every member rose. He was certain that they would do better. The speaker then gave a number of pathetic illustrations showing the great amount of good that has been accomplished through the insurance feature of the order.

In this connection the Supreme Regent exclaimed with the poet:

"God give us men. A time like this demands
Strong minds, brave hearts, true faith and ready hands;
Men whom the lust of office cannot kill,
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy,
Men who possess opinions, and a will,
Men who have honor, men who will not lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And damn his treacherous flatterings without winking;
Tall men, sun crowded, who stand above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking.
For while the rabble with their thumb-worn creeds,
Their large professions and their petty deeds,
Mingle in selfish strife, lo, Freedom sweeps,
Wrong rules the land, and waiting Justice sleep."

In conclusion the speaker said that he was "deelighted" with his visit to Wilmington and declared that the memory of the pleasant occasion would linger with him forever.

Long continued applause followed the remarks of the Supreme Regent and Toastmaster Bonitz pledged North Carolina to come up to his demands for the increase in membership the coming year. He guaranteed that North Carolina would even do more. He then introduced Mr. H. C. Dockery, of Rockingham, Supreme Representative, who responded to the toast, "The Mystic Number." Mr. Dockery made a splendid address along the lines upon which he was appointed on the programme and entertained the audience with many apt anecdotes, which provoked laughter and had a telling effect. In concluding his remarks he declared he was proud of Wilmington when she did North Carolina so much credit in receiving a few months ago the Great President of the United States. He wanted to say that he was also proud of the city because of the manner in which it had gained on North Carolina proud in honoring the Supreme Regent of the great order of the Royal Arcanum. He spoke of the value of the order to the community and the State and declared that it was worth $600,000 or $700,000 to Wilmington and nearly $6,000,000 to North Carolina. Instead of coming up to the mark set for North Carolina by the Supreme Regent the aim should be to add from 600 to 800 to the order this year. He took his seat amid great applause.

Toastmaster Bonitz then introduced the young lawyer Regent of Carolina Council, Fred W. Bonitz, who responded in a speech which was full of humor and pleasantry as is printed elsewhere.

It was much regretted that Dr. J. Howell Way, Grand Secretary and Medical Examiner for the State, could not be present at the banquet as he had expected and speak on the subject, "The Grand Council and Its progressive Way," to which he had been assigned. Dr. Way arrived yesterday morning and spent the day with the brethren but had to leave last night for Richmond in response to an urgent telegram from Dr. Stuart McGuire requesting his attendance at the annual meeting of the Tri-State Medical Associatoh of which Dr. Way is secretary. Dr. Way was most cordially received while here and was shown much attention by the Arcanumites, who regretted much that other and more urgent business called him away before the celebration in honor of the Supreme Regent was concluded. His place on the programme was admirably filled by Mr. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, who declared that the Raleigh Council was the banner organization in the Grand Council coming to the front with 431 members, having within the last day or two increased its number by many new additions.

Junior Supreme Representative Samuel M. Brinson, of Newbern, was then introduced and he spoke on "Royal Arcanum—Fraternal and Rational." His words were full of eloquence and his speech with reference to the high and noble principles of the order made a deep impression upon the large number present. Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the American National Bank, one of the new members received last night, responded to the toast, "Virtue, Mercy and Charity," the three great cardinal principles of the order, from the viewpoint of a banker. Mr. J. S. Hooper, Deputy Grand Deputy, followed, speaking on "The Royal Secret," urging upon the members of the councils the importance of working for new members and securing results that would keep the councils alive and in good working order.

Mr. F. W. Hancock, of Oxford, was called upon by Grand Regent Bonitz and responded in a few wards which were highly appreciated and applauded. He expressed great pleasure in having the Supreme Regent as guest of North Carolina and invited him to attend the next Grand Council meeting in Rockingham.

Grand Regent Bonitz said that the Supreme Regent wanted just a few more words with reference to practical suggestions for plans for working in the future. The Supreme Regent told of the plans used in other States which are said to have been very effective.

Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz presided as toastmaster with great dignity and very evident acceptability. He has made an extremely popular Grand Regent and the order has won such great achievements under his administration that a general wish is expressed that he shall be elected another term.

The Supreme Regent will leave on the 9 o'clock train this morning for his home in Rhode Island.

THE SUPREME COURT JUDGESHIP

(Durham Daily Sun.)

At the next election there will be elected three judges of the Supreme Court—the successors of Chief Justice Clark and Judges Walker and Manning. That Chief Justice Clark and Judge Walker will be each nominated without opposition by the Democratic State convention seems to be generally conceded. Both these gentlemen have demonstrated their fitness for the Supreme Court bench and they deserve the unopposed nomination of the party. The nomination of Judge Manning to succeed himself is alone contested; the gentleman who is making this contest is Judge W. R. Allen, of Goldsboro.

Upon what ground is this contest made?

The letters sent out by the committee in charge of Judge Allen's campaign place his contest upon the ground that he has discharged well the duties of Judge of the Superior Court for about eight years and in this position rendered splendid service to the people of the State.

We have no desire and no purpose to detract one particle from this fine service. But is this alone sufficient? There are other Judges upon our Superior Court bench whose legal ability is generally recognized as equal to Judge Allen's and whose service on the bench has been larger. If splendid service on the Superior Court bench and length of service furnish the reason for promotion then there are some Superior Court Judges who outrank Judge Allen in length of service and who equal him in ability.

But why should Judge Manning alone, of three members of the Court to be nominated, be denied a nomination? Judge Manning was appointed by Governor Kitchin to fill the vacancy caused by Judge Connor's resignation; some one had to be appointed of course, and the Governor is vested by law with the appointing power.

Judge Allen's name was presented to the Governor; so was Judge Manning's; so were the names of other able lawyers in the State. Governor Kitchin had to decide, and he appointed Judge Manning. The concensus of the State press comments at the time of the appointment was that the Governor had made no mistake. Judge Manning's work as a member of the Supreme Court has confirmed this opinion (of the press) and the wisdom of the Governor in the appointment. Governor Kitchin, of course, knew Judge Manning well, not only as a lawyer, but as a man and a Democrat. So far as we can hear, the lawyers of the State speak in terms of high praise of Judge Manning's opinions as a Judge of our Supreme Court. We accept their judgment upon the point.

Appointed by a Democratic Governor, and having "made good" on the Supreme Court bench, Judge Manning is entitled to the nomination of our party, according to its unbroken custom and precedent. The endorsement of the Governor's appointee by nomination has, as we recall, been refused a very few times—three times—by District Conventions, but never, as we recall, by a State Convention.

Had Judge Connor remained on our Superior Court bench, the friends of Judge Allen would not be running him against Judge Connor. Why, then, are they trying to defeat Judge Manning, who, every learned lawyer in the State concedes, is filling the position with great ability and fidelity? Under the circumstances the inference that there is a purpose to rebuke the Governor is so natural that those who prepared the letters sent out from Judge Allen's headquarters in his behalf, could not overlook it; but in writing to the known friends of the administration state they are not fighting the Governor or his administration, although they are asking that the Governor's most important appointment, one of the most important acts of his administration, be repudiated.

Judge Manning's friends are not asking his nomination merely because the Governor appointed him. He is his opponent's equal in every respect—in learning, in ability, in experience, in temperament, in Democracy, in character. His ambition for the Supreme bench is as laudable and as well founded as his opponent's. He was called from an active practice to wear judicial honors while his opponent was enjoying them. He was honored without hurting his opponent. His opponent is seeking an honor which will necessarily hurt him, and also hurt the administration, and this, too, without helping the public, and without helping the Democratic party. We submit to thoughtful men that Judge Allen's honorable ambition to go on the Supreme bench is not sufficient to justify the humiliation of Judge Manning, or the rebuke to the Governor, which Judge Manning's defeat would necessarily involve. Many men have the ability, the character, and the ambition to adorn the Supreme bench, but heretofore they have not sought it under circumstances that now exist, so far as we can recall. We are not questioning the right of any one at any time to seek an honor at the hands of the people, but we ask just consideration of the whole situation before humiliating one eminent and worthy Democrat, whose friends are seeking for him an endorsement of his faithful and able judicial service, in order to honor another.

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CORPORATION TAX LOST.

New York Representative Introduces Bill for Its Repeal.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The repeal of the new corporation tax law, the constitutionality of which has been questioned, is sought by Representative Southwick, of New York, who introduced a bill for this purpose today. Mr. Southwick, who is a Republican, voted against the Payne-Aldrich law, he said, because it contained the corporation tax amendment.

REPUBLICANS SEEM UNEASY.

Caused by Bribery Scandal in New York Senate.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Republicans here tonight were reticent to admit that the evidence thus far adduced at the Senate's investigation of the bribery charges against Senator Allds would compel a wider inquiry into the general subject of State legislative corruption. There was nothing in present conditions, they said, that demanded such radical action. There is no doubt, however, that those in authority, from Governor Hughes down, appreciate the gravity of the situation, and are discussing means to meet it. The bribery scandal during the last three days brought the members of the State legislature back to Albany tonight puzzled and worried. When Senators and Assemblymen left Albany last week the Allds Conger case was regarded generally as a small mess of soiled linen. They came back to find it a rising flood that threatened the welfare of the dominant party in the State and that it already had claimed the attention of the heads of the State and nation.

If an official move toward a general inquiry comes within the next few days its source will be the minority. Activity among the Democratic members of both Houses shows that they see an opportunity too valuable to be deflected.

Thus far the only points of corruption, besides those personally concerning Senator Allds had to do with the efforts of the American Bridge Company to protect itself from alleged "strike" bills.

The atmosphere on the Republican side of the legislature, however, is not all gloomy. Some students of political affairs declared tonight that the effects of the Allds-Conger scandal might eventually benefit the Republican party by drawing its elements closer together. They pointed out that already in the face of a common party danger, the opponents of Gov. Hughes had adopted a more friendly attitude.

The situation has given wing to a host of rumors. One is that Governor Hughes will be urged to reconsider his determination not to run again if his candidacy is believed necessary to rescue the party.

Senator Conger is due to take the stand again when the Senate resumes its investigation tomorrow.

The first actual step toward widening the scope of the investigation of alleged legislative corruption now under way in the Senate was taken tonight by a Democrat, Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, former Lieutenant Governor and now Assemblyman from Dutchess county. Mr. Chanler introduced a resolution calling for a "full and complete investigation", and asked for its immediate consideration. Mr. Merritt, majority floor leader, promptly objected and under the rules consideration of the measure was postponed until next Monday night.

Mr. Chanler explained that his measure did not contemplate a general boundless investigation, but was intended to express the sense of the Assembly that the Senate should go the limit in its present inquiry into the Conger charges. He could not say whether or not it expressed the sense of the other Democrats in the Legislature and had declared that he had not consulted with either of the minority leaders before introducing it.

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS.

Annual Dollar Dinner—Bryan for County Local Option.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 14.—Several hundred representatives of Nebraska tonight held their annual dollar dinner and incidentally set in motion the wheels for the coming State and Congressional campaigns. The statement of William J. Bryan, sent from South America, declaring for county option in Nebraska and a divorcement of the liquor traffic from politics by common agreement was ignored by the speakers. References to Mr. Bryan were generally laudatory. Denunciation of the new tariff law was the central idea in the addresses.

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the president of the Industrial and Orphans' Home at Macon, Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for stomach, liver and kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates all vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up pale, thin, weak children or run down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at Robt. R. Bellamy.

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Perhaps the most interesting feature of the discussion this young man is causing are the statements made by responsible people who have taken his medicines and have became enthusiastic converts to his beliefs.

Among statements of this character, the following, by Mr. August Wittmer, 1049 Rockwell Court, Chicago, is characteristic of the widespread faith in Cooper, which has grown up in a comparatively short time. Mr. Wittmer says: "I wouldn't take $1,000 and be in the condition I was three weeks ago. I was practically an invalid for fourteen years and think I had about all the diseases known. My stomach was weak and at times I would have an enormous appetite, and then again none at all. Pie and cake made me sick, and I almost always had a sickening feeling in my stomach. I was nervous, and for weeks at a time could not sleep, and then again could sleep eighteen hours at a stretch. Sleep, however, seemed to do me no good, and I would awake tired and more exhausted than when I went to bed.

"I was constipated, had pains in my back, and flutterings and pains in my heart. I was unable to work with any regularity and took no interest in anything. I tried all kinds of medicines and doctors, but none benefited me. I had no energy and no ambition, and had about concluded to give up when the Cooper medicine was recommended. Thanks to it, my health seems completely restored and I feel like a new man.

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SEVEN PLOTTED ESCAPE.

White Prisoners Might be Free Had Not Jailor Frustrated Plan.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Nothing but the watchful vigilance of Jailor and Deputy Sheriff E. O. Johnston, who is a dual personality, prevented the escape of seven white prisoners from the jail Friday night. When he walked in on them about 9 o'clock they were hard at work with four saws and had cut away one-fifth of the depth of an iron bar on each side. Two bars severed, the men could have stepped outside into the corridor. Once in the corridor, it would have been the work of ten minutes to cut their way through the old brick wall which would be all that separated them from the outer air. The cell is on the first floor, some of the windows being practically on a level with the ground.

Arthur Mills, Jim Knox, Will Stamey and Morrison Watts, members of the North Carolina crowd who are charged with car breaking and larceny, seem to have been among the ring leaders. Gus Hager, Jay Gould and Grover Bridges, charged with breaking into the Southern Railway depot at Huntersville, were the others. This much was gleaned by Deputy Johnston by cross-examination of the offenders.

Friday was visiting day at the jail and some one took occasion to smuggle four saws, about four inches long and an inch broad, into the place. Thus provided, the rest was comparatively easy for the prisoners, patience being all that was required. There was strength in numbers so that one could rest another.

Somehow or other, he himself possibly doesn't exactly know how, Mr. Johnston smelt a mouse and he kept on the watch, knowing that it was sure sooner or later to lift its head. And so it did and was nabbed.

Sixteen white men are confined as prisoners in the big cell. There would have been nothing to hinder all from escaping, when the way had been made clear. The jail was built 30 years ago when nothing but sand was used in the mortar and it could be easily cut through. This fact is in itself argument for a new structure. The jailor deserves credit for nipping this scheme in the bud. He has been 21 years at the business and it is hard to pull the wool over his eyes.

INTERESTED IN DRAINAGE.

Iredell Farmers Discuss the Question of Dredging the Creeks.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Statesville, Feb. 12.—At a meeting held here today by the farmers of the county and citizens of Statesville who own land along the many creeks in the county the subject of dredging the creeks was discussed. Mr. W. P. Barber, one of the county commissioners of Rowan county, was sent here to confer with the people on this subject. Mr. Thomas J. Conger was made chairman of the meeting and Mr. M. C. Williams secretary.

A committee of seven was appointed to go to Catawba county on the first of March with a committee of seven which had already been appointed at a similar meeting in Rowan, to see a machine that is working near Newton and to make a report at an adjourned meeting to be held here on the 4th of March. Representatives of dredging machinery will be asked to be here at the meeting in March as those interested expect to buy machinery and go to work in earnest. If this dredging can be done successfully thousands of acres of fertile lands will be brought into cultivation and will also add much to the health of communities that have been troubled with malaria. Mr. E. S. Millsaps, who if connected with the Agricultural Department, will leave here tomorrow to hold seed corn meetings at Concord, China Grove, Ashboro and Mocksville.

MRS. TAFT'S SOCIAL SECRETARY.

Promotion for Clever North Carolinian to Important Position.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Washington, Feb. 12.—Miss Mary D. Spires, a clerk in the office of the surgeon general of the army, will succeed Miss Alice Bleech, as social secretary to Mrs. Taft about the first of March. Miss Bleech will become the wife of Lieut. Richard Wainwright, U. S. N., this Spring.

Miss Isabelle Hagner, who during the Roosevelt administration looked after correspondence of the mistress of the White House, was for years a clerk in the office of the surgeon general, where she was an associate of Miss Spires.

Miss Spires is a North Carolinian. Although retiring in her tastes, she has hosts of friends and is especially well liked in army circles. She is a pronounced blonde, with sparkling blue eyes and a wealth of wavy light hair, above the average height and is exceedingly stylish.

Although Miss Spires will be detailed to the White House, she will be retained on the War Department's rolls.

LAMBERT OUT OF GAME.

Member of Last Year's Rocky Mount Team Not to Play.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 14.—Howard Lambert is out of baseball is the news received by friends of the former Railroader, who reside in this city. Lambert was secured last season from Saint Joseph's College at Baltimore and he filled the position of shortstop for the major part of the season and his ability at this position as well as his aptness with the lumber made him wanted in faster company and at the end of the season he was drafted by Providence in the Eastern League. Despite the young star's success, he has decided to quit the game and he has refused to contract tendered him by Providence and he will continue as a member of a surveying corps of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and they are now doing service in the mountains of Southwestern Pennsylvania.

UNIQUE POLITICAL SCHEME.

Candidates for Durham Postoffice Propose to Offer as Sacrifices.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 13.—The Durham postoffice candidates are about to furnish the country with a political example unique, patriotic, pathetic, and humorous in the extreme.

The movement for a county ticket of candidates now offering and wire-working for the job, is growing. The race against the Democrats is considered hopeless. The first suggestion is that one candidate run for sheriff, another for register of deeds, a third for county treasurer, a fourth for clerk of the court and the fifth for coroner. The sheriff's job isn't picked but it is asked that Mr. Mason oppose C. B. Green, and John T. Pope, his most formidable opponent, go up against Treasurer Simeon Bowling, ex-Chief Clerk D. C. Mangum try conclusions with Mat Markham for register of deeds and Capt. Moses E. McCown tackle John Harward for sheriff. There isn't any fatality in the suggestion that Postmaster Pat O'Brien, holding over the third term, offer for coroner, but there the ticket is.

One republican says: "It's the best scheme ever devised. First of all, it will make some of the candidates do something for which they are conspicuously wanting—party service. It will make them put up their money and give them a chance to get their politics on straight. Clerk Mangum has voted for Bryan, it is said; Joe Mason never was a Republican out and out; Captain Moses McCown is a recruit from the Democrats and Pope voted for the amendment. Now, Caleb Green has given Joe Mason a certificate of good character and admitted his ability. The Democrats couldn't fight Mason. "D." Mangum has held office many years and wouldn't object to racing against Markham, because he is a bright man and knows the county. By deferring the fight until the Fall, Pat O'Brien would hold on a few months longer and all would go as merry as a marriage bell."

This suggestion would suit Mr. Mangum exactly and he has promised to run. He says he has never failed of party service and that nobody ever had a doubt where he stood. The man who receives the highest vote would be made postmaster.

CITY FATHERS LIABLE.

Evils of Signing Paper Apparent to Charlotte Aldermen.

(Charlotte Observer.)

The members of the finance committee of the board of aldermen were somewhat startled a few days ago when they were advised that they were personally responsible for every cent of money expended over and above the income of the city. This was not altogether pleasing to the finance committee, for it is becoming more and more a problem for the city to get along with the available revenue.

The legal advice was sought because the finance committee had been forced to borow a considerable sum of money to take care of the city's business and the members endorsed the city's note for the amount borrowed. It is under this condition that they went to a prominent lawyer to ascertain the law in regard to the matter and found out that they would be personally responsible for the amount.

Heretofore the aldermen have been at liberty to issue bonds in order to take care of any deficit that might have occurred, but the present administration is not entitled to any such privilege. Under the new charter, the people must vote for bonds before another issue can be ordered and this accounts for the diligence and care which is being exercised on the part of the finance committee to see to it that none of the appropriations is exceeded.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Young Man at Warsaw Shot Himself in Stomach.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 14.—Philip Slossberg, a young man, 20 years old, nephew of L. Slossberg, of Warsaw, attempted suicide here today by shooting himself with a 44 calibre pistol. The young man shot himself in the stomach, probably aimed at his heart, but the ball ranged upward and up to this time has not proved fatal, though his life is in the balance. He left a note saying that he was unable to save enough money to send any to his aged parents in Germany, and that he was tired of life.

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 14.—Philip Schlossberg, a young Hebrew, was brought to the hospital in this city this afternoon from Warsaw, in a serious condition from an abdominal pistol wound self inflicted with suicidal intent. He had been in Warsaw about six months and had become despondent and homesick. Every effort is being made by the hospital physicians to save his life but at this hour the nature of the wound is such as to render his chances for recovery exceedingly precarious.

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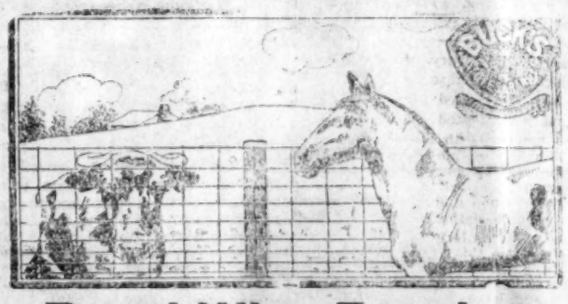
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STATEMENT OF CONDITION

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.
At the Close of Business, January 31st, 1910.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$3,483,083 75
U. S. Bonds (at par)	551,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
N. C. State and other bonds	143,783 00
Cash and due by Banks	1,131,595 02
	$5,334,461 77

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$ 550,000 00
Surplus and Net Profit	375,579 08
Circulation	550,000 00
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
Deposits	3,758,882 69
	$5,334,461 77

DEPOSITS:

January 31st, 1908	$2,921,988 64
January 31st, 1909	$3,443,393 48
January 31st, 1910	$3,758,882 69

H. C. McQUEEN, President.
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President.
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Wilmington, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect Thursday, September 30th, 1909

TO BEACH.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 A. M. 3:00, 3:00, 4:30, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10 and 8:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Lumina at 7:45 9:15 and 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15 7:50 and 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Lumina at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45, 5:15 5:45, 6:25, 6:50, 7:15 and 9:15 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10 8:30, 10:30 and 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 6:20, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:35, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 9:55 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55 5:25, 5:55, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 1:25 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE, FRONT AND PRINCESS TO CAROLINA PLACE.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Front and Princess at 6:52 A. M., and every 15 minutes there after until 10:37 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess 8:22 A. M., and every 5 minutes thereafter until 10:37 P. M.

TO FRONT AND PRINCESS.

WEEK DAYS—Leave 17th and Market at 6:45 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave 17th and Market at 8:30 A. M., and every 15 minutes thereafter until 10:45 P. M.

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Lv Norfolk	7:30 a m	7:30 p m
Lv. Petersburg	10:25 a m	10:20 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:30 p m	2:13 a m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:30 a m	7:20 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	7:45 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	7:25 p m	8:30 a m

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MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of the powers of sale contained in certain mortage deeds made by Julius Cowan and wife Julia Cowan to The North Carolina Home Building Association, one bearing date the 6th of February, 1909, and duly registered on the records of New Hanover County in Book 58, page 62, and the other bearing date the 19th of March 1909, and duly recorded in Book 58, page 221, the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash at the Court House door of New Hanover County in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at twelve oclock M., on Friday the 11th day of March, 1910, the following described property in said City of Wilmington, N. C., to-wit:— Beginning at a point in the western line of Rankin street 66 feet west of the western line of Bay street; runs thence westwardly with said northern line of Rankin street 45 feet; thence northwardly parallel with Bay street 66 feet; thence eastwardly parallel with Rankin street 45 feet; thence southwardly parallel with Bay street 66 feet to the Beginning, being part of easter half of Lot 5, Block 242.

This 8th of February, 1910.

THE NORTH CAROLINA HOME BUILDING ASSOCIATION,
By John D. Bellamy & Son.,
fe 9 30d. Attorneys.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed made by C. L. Dickinson and wife Lilly W. Dickinson to Samuel Blossom, bearing date the 15th of June, 1909, and duly registered on the records of New Hanover County in Book 58 page 446, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash at the Court House door of New Hanover county in Wilmington, N. C., at twelve o'clock M., on Thursday the 10th day of March, 1910, the following described property in said City of Wilmington, N. C., to-wit: Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Ann street 100 feet east of the eastern line of Fifth street; runs thence eastwardly with the southern line of Ann street 35 feet and 3 inches; thence southwardly parallel with Fifth street 66 feet; thence westwardly parallel with Ann street 35 feet and 3 inches; thence northwardly parallel with Fifth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 1, Block 117.

This 7th day of February, 1910.

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NOTICE.
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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48 Daily.	No. 42. Daily
Lv Wilmington	8:00 am	7:00 pm
Ar Goldsboro	11:37 pm	10:35 pm
Ar Wilson	12:20 pm	11:01 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:18 pm	11:45 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:35 pm	2:08 am
Ar. Norfolk	9:10 pm	*8:35 am
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	3:55 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	4:40 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:20 am	9:16 am
Ar. W. Philadelphia	3:40 am	11:35 pm
Ar. New York	6:30 am	2:00 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41 Daily.	No. 49. Daily.
Lv. New York	3:25 pm	9:25 pm
Lv. W. Philadelphia	5:44 pm	12:19 am
Lv. Baltimore	8:20 pm	2:46 am
Lv. Washington	10:00 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk	3:00 pm	8:10 am
Lv. Petersburg	1:58 am	9:18 am
Lv Weldon	3:48 am	11:20 am
Lv. Rocky Mount	5:05 am	12:40 pm
Lv. Wilson	5:49 am	1:52 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6:40 am	2:56 pm
r. Wilmington	9:45 am	6:15 pm

WEST AND SOUTH.

	51	55	via Wilson. 42
Lv Wilmington	5:30 am	3:15 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Florence	9:25 am	7:20 pm	4:01 am
Ar. Columbia	1:00 pm	11:10 pm	
Ar Augusta	3:00 pm		
Ar. Atlanta	8:20 pm		
Ar. Nashville	6:30 am		
Ar. Memphis	3:30 pm		
Ar. Louisville	1:10 pm		
Ar. Cov'ti	4:35 pm		
Ar. Charleston	1:15 pm	11:20 pm	7:05 am
Ar Savannah	3:55 pm	2:20 am	9:30 am
Ar. Jacksonville	8:15 pm	7:15 am	1:30 pm
Ar. Tampa	7:00 am	7:00 pm	10:25 pm

Pullman service Florence to Atlanta and Atlanta to destination.

NORTHBOUND.

	50 Daily.	54 Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:30 am
Lv. Jacksonville	7:30 am	7:45 pm
Lv. Savannah	11:55 am	12:15 am
Lv. Charleston	4:25 pm	5:10 am
Lv. Columbia	4:10 pm	6:00 am
Lv. Augusta	2:45 pm	
Lv. Florence	8:02 pm	9:25 am
Ar. Wilmington	11:59 pm	1:40 pm

WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

Westbound. 53 Daily.		Eastbound. 52 Daily.
8:40 AM	Lv. Wilmington Ar.	8:05 PM
11:45 AM	Ar. Fayetteville Lv.	4:50 PM
12:10 PM	Lv. Fayetteville Ar.	4:45 PM
1:40 PM	Ar. Sanford Lv.	3:20 PM

WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

Northbound. 62 Daily except Sunday.		Southbound. 63 Daily except Sunday.
3:25 PM	Lv. Wilmington Ar.	12:50 PM
5:17 PM	Ar. Jacksonville Lv.	10:58 AM
6:44 PM	Ar. N. & S. Jct. Lv.	9:33 AM
6:50 PM	Ar. Newbern Lv.	9:20 AM

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S. S. "Sabine" ..... Saturday, Feb. 19, 1910
S. S. "Carib" ..... Saturday, Feb. 26, 1910
WILMINGTON TO GEORGETOWN.
S. S. "Sabine" ..... Monday, Feb. 14, 1910
S. S. "Carib" ..... Monday Feb. 21, 1910

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Tuesday, February 15th, 1910.

THE "SMALL FARMER."

Writing of the great need of small farmers in the Norfolk trucking section, the Landmark says:

"It is said that three-fourths of the farm land between the city limits of Norfolk and the town of Virginia Beach is untilled on account of the lack of labor. That such a condition should prevail in the center of one of the most fertile regions in the world, where the large farms are famous for their productiveness and the wealth they bring their owners, is altogether amazing. It is an inexcusable waste of the bounties of nature."

This is surprising information. So much has been heard of the growth of the territory around Norfolk in its development for trucking purposes; so rapid has been the growth of Norfolk itself, and so constantly widening its market, that the impression that every available inch of ground had been utilized was at least excusable. The Landmark, however, is of course well informed. The facts that it cites simply show the waste that seems, in America, to yet attend a disinclination to farm when one can find anything else to do. Despite the brilliant exceptions here and there, in spite of the "back to the farm" cry as incident to the high cost of living, it remains true that the asset of the land is overlooked, generally speaking, by a people otherwise instant in taking advantage of opportunity.

If there is la duvacant near Norfolk, how much more must there be both vacant and available near Wilmington, near Newbern, near a half dozen other North Carolina centres. All of this land is the best of its sort, fertile, fallow. The season follows on the heels of that of Florida, earlier than that of Norfolk. Transportation has largely solved the matter of markets. Why the waste, and why the postponement of the full development of a wonderful natural resource?

Doubtless the cause lies in the dearth of labor, which is suggested. When will the people of this country lose out of their long passion for trade and manufacturing the idea that actual labor on the farm is unremunerative? When will it dawn upon the thousands that farming is not only an art well worth the time and study necessary to acquire it, but that as a matter of fact its exercise is proportionately more remunerative than the other callings which natural born farmers are so prone to accept to the loss of their natural heritage? In all the chorus about the high cost of living there has been a deep silence in the farming districts. The man who has been utilizing nature in production has not been sending up the wail. With us, as with Norfolk the opportunities for the small farmer individually and the loss in the aggregate because he is not taking hold of his destiny is no less than appalling.

AGIN' THE INCOME TAX.

Under the caption "Kill It on The Spot," the Charleston News and Courier has to say anent Senator Bailey's proposed visit:

"It doesn't matter what Senator Bailey tells the South Carolina Legislature about the Federal income tax amendment, it ought to vote against the measure, and it will so vote if it is at all careful of the rights and traditions of this State. We have always been fighting in South Carolina against Federal encroachments. Why should anybody in this State vote to increase the taxing Powers of the Government at Washington?"

From this it would appear that the Courier can be counted on to oppose the amendment ,and we are delighted to think that its income is large enough to give it some personal as well as patriotic interest in the issue.

Old Dr. Cook has been discovered in Chile. He is headed for the South Pole, sure enough.

THE WHYFORE OF PROPHECY.

After all, it is frequently left for the peculiar genius of the New York Sun to put into biting phrase the cud which others chew in silence. Referring to the fact of the approaching perihelion of Roosevelt, the Sun thus sums up the situation attendant on his coming and the plans for his reception:

"Even as it is, all the omens smile. Confusion and bickering among the Republicans in Congress; the administration struggling under the fatal inheritance of his follies; the party wrecked; the President's own State hardly to be 'saved'; the strutting lords of Chautauqua fighting for their own hand; the yellow magazines and weeklies yellowing and yelling with a true Tartarinian volume of voice; Republican rancor, ineptitude, private ambition posing as superior virtue; Republican members of Congress skedaddling from Cannon as the unclean thing; a miscellaneous shindy in the party; Tartarin has brought down bigger game here than in Africa."

A pretty picture, Masters, and who will say that it is not true? Who does not realise the conditions so vividly described, between Cannonite and Insurgent; between the Taft corporation policy and the interests that may not be too sorely offended in New York; between an attitude on the part of the President causing him every day to be damned on the one hand by money, and doubly damned on the other hand by those to whom money is the visible sign of original sin? And who does not know that into this turmoil Roosevelt will come with gladness, seeking the ripe moment in which most loudly to megaphone further foment and discontent, and to lend to the general scheme of disorganization his own catapult-like entry into the arena?

Is it because conditions in the Republican ranks are so scrambled that the activity of the prophets has been turned from the West, which every day is drifting further and further from Taft, and devoted to the South? Is it the idea to betray a long consistency at the moment of triumph? Is the idea, in desperation, to look to the Democratic South for the means of Republican succor?

Is it just barely possible that the Hon. John Motley Morehead is a symptom instead of a cause, and that the six Congressmen whom the Republicans are to elect in this State make the substance of a dream of a new province opened up for the Republican party?

We have had occasion mildly to wonder at the Morehead proportions and promotion. Is the fear of Roosevelt so deep that, in lieu of a Moses, the administration has run him down to smother with a mantle?

SMALLPOX.

The Star's criticism of the management of Thomasville Orphanage has sorely wounded the sensibilities of General Manager Kesler, and Mr. Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children. Its motive is impugned by these gentlemen, but we believe that the motive of the criticism was plain to all except those to whom it happened to particularly apply. Vaccination, in our opinion, ought to be compulsory. We are convinced that fair-minded people generally will agree that it ought to be a prerequisite to the admission to school, orphanage, or other children's institution, and that the failure to make it a prerequisite is the cause of smallpox afterwards appearing in such institutions. The Thomasville Orphanage seems to think that we "singled it out"; whereas we confess to a surprise that it had not taken what would seem to be the plainest and most generally recognized precaution. An unvaccinated child is not admitted to any Wilmington school; we supposed that the same rule applied over the State. We are informed that the precaution is taken at the Methodist Orphanage, at Raleigh, and at other like institutions. It ought to be taken by them all. In expressing forcibly a sense of disappointment that it had not been taken in time to prevent an epidemic at one of them, we can only disclaim again, as positively as possible, the presence of intent other than to call attention to an unfortunate situation to the end that it might be prevented from occurring elsewhere.

It is stated that the German Court is much disturbed because it has been unable to find out exactly where Mr. Roosevelt is "at," and when he will appear. This is an anxiety which the Germans are not alone in experiencing.

It is a curious thing that, so soon as a statesman prefaces his remarks with the statement that he is not going to run amuck, at that moment he begins to do so. Is it that in such case the disclaimer is prompted by a guilty knowledge of intent?

Senator Simmon's proposal to amend the $10,000 appropriation to the upper Cape Fear to $600,000, suggests a slight change in the measure that ought to be conceded. But will it?

A Senator from California concludes that he is too poor to stay in the Senate. Such a man ought to be forced to hold on.

Judging from the number of felons awaiting their turn, the electric chair will be kept busy, once it arrives.

Representative David A. Hollingsworth has created "a mild sensation" by following the effort of Heyburn to "wave the bloody shirt." The description of the sensation does it too much honor.

At least no one will insist on membership in the Ananias Club for the French expedition which has returned to report that it did not find the South Pole.

With Halley's comet presiding over the meeting of William and Theodore, Berlin ought to find something interesting to talk about in April.

If the Nicaraguan insurgents keep "marching on" much longer, their destination may become as indefinite as that of the soul of old John Brown.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Uncle Sam apparently doesn't begrudge to cart millions out west for irrigation, but he doesn't appear to have much on hand for drainage of swamps in the south. At the same time we contribute a lot to his coffers. —Lexington Dispatch.

Excitement regarding the political situation will continue at top notch until after Parliament begins its business sessions February 21st. The Liberals, with the coalition of Irish and Labor parties, will have a majority of over 125 against the Peers—a bigger majority than any ministry in modern times has obtained on a second appeal to the country. The government is, of course, dependent upon the Irish party and will have to handle it with kid gloves unless on some bright day, John Redmond, the Irish leader, dismiss them from power.

Farmers, preachers, lawyers, doctors, manufacturers, and newspapers, one and all want better roads in the county and they are going to have them. The good roads movement that has taken on such force is without question the greatest concentration of public spirit that has been seen in years, if indeed there has ever been anything to equal it. And the most satisfactory and reassuring factor of the whole agitation is that it is a perpetual movement and will be kept alive and going from this time on. None can adequately comprehend the enormous good that is going to result. Greenville News.

There will hardly be any conflict between the government and the Irish party, however, unless the Irish leaders are opposed in their attitude over the whiskey tax. This tax hits the Irish distilleries sorely and for that reason the attitude of the Irish party on the budget when it is introduced will be a serious element of the situation. There is little doubt that Mr. Redmond and Mr. Lloyd George will be able to reach some agreement by which the Irish will be enabled to support the budget, for no part of the United Kingdom is so concerned in destroying the Peers' vote as is Ireland, to whose reforms they have been the most relentless enemies.—Savannah News.

It seems that Representative Sims, of Tennessee, "got on the nerves" of Vice President Marsh of the New York Cotton exchange the other day during the hearing on the anti-options bill. Mr. Sims asked Mr. Marsh if it were not true that sometimes trades were made that did not contemplate actual delivery. Mr. Marsh, it is said, got red in the face and declared that the question was insulting to him and every member of the exchange. With poundings of his fist he declared that he and all members of the exchange were now and forever willing to stand by their contracts. He was willing to admit that there were "some speculation," but insisted that the basis of business on the exchange was that of actual deliveries. Mr. Sims and other members of the committee smiled. And the shearing of the lamb goes on. —Savannah, News.

The final decree of divorce between Col. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, of New York, has not yet been entered. There are still something like twenty days before the date of the final decree, and there are rumors of a reconciliation before that time has elapsed. The country at large would be pleased if the matter should take the happier course of reconciliation. Both Col. and Mrs. Astor are very highly thought of wherever they are known ,and the information that their difference had been compromised would give very genuine pleasure. Col Astor is one of the very rich men of the country who has the admiration of his compatriots, for the reason that he has shown himself to be a man and an American at heart, soul and fibre, despite his wealth. His record in the Spanish American war is all the recommendation that he needs.—Savannah News.

The Federal government has for years been appropriating money for the purpose of irrigating the arid lands of the west. This we assume was to make those lands upon which fall very little or no rain productive, and as we hear no complaint we have a right to assume further that the government has been richly paid for every dollar so expended. Now what we have in mind, is, that if the government has found this to be profitable why does not the government turn its attention to draining the low wet swamps which promise greater returns. The reason is apparent, when once the low lands and swamps of the east are thoroughly drained then we shall have a far better system of roads with the same work, thus we shall get two results from one investment and both contributing to the welfare of the whole country. Let some one who wants to be forever famous take this matter before Congress and press it to a finish and the millions yet unborn will chant his praises long after he shall have passed into the great beyond.—Jacksonville Enterprise.

Vaccination the Only Preventive.

(Asheboro Courier.)

The State Board of Health calls attention to the fact that smallpox which prevails in almost every county in the State, is in the most malignant form. There are more cases in Forsyth and Surry counties than elsewhere. In Rowan county there is practically no smallpox. There are not more than one or two cases in the county. The people in Rowan are practically immune from the epidemic this year. This condition is attributed to the compulsory rule of vaccination adopted by the Board of Health and sustained by the county commissioners.

For typhoid fever and pneumonia there is no known specific or preventive; for consumption sunlight, fresh air, cleanliness, wholesome food, proper exercise, are said to cure cases when not too far advanced, and these are also said to be preventives of consumption. Diphtheria is no longer a terror since the fact is known that antitoxin when properly administered almost invariably results in a cure unless the disease has fastened itself too well in the system.

All medical opinion both high and low in America and throughout the known world agrees that the only preventive of smallpox is vaccination. Yet strange to say there are those who do not believe in vaccination and are afraid that vaccination will hurt or injure their health. No person who has ever been vaccinated has ever been known to have smallpox except in a few instances it is claimed that persons who have not been successfully vaccinated when exposed to smallpox have had light attacks called varioloid, and varioloid does not occur in one case in a thousand where there has been vaccination.

Most of the people living in the towns in this section have been vaccinated, but there are still many in the towns and a large number in the country who have not been vaccinated. In some cases it is due to negligence and in some to prejudice and in a few to ignorance.

This is strange, indeed, that vaccination does not become general when it is so universally conceded that vaccination is the only preventive of smallpox.

While there are no cases of smallpox in this county now, yet there are said to be three or four hundred in High Point, five hundred or more in Winston, and two or three hundred in Davidson county, and before Spring, unless vaccination becomes general in this county, there will be many cases and much cost will be incurred by the public officials trying to suppress it.

The County Board of Health, which is composed of the county commissioners and two physicians, have a duty to perform and every effort should be made to induce people to be vaccinated, and on those who will not be vaccinated by persuasion the compulsory law should be invoked. This should be done for the good of the public.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE.

Fiftieth Birthday of Dr. Vardell Auspiciously Celebrated There.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Red Springs, N. C., Feb. 12.—This was the 50th birthday of the founder and president of the college, Dr. C. G. Vardell, and many expressions of the love and esteem of his friends came to him.

By his side at the breakfast table was a fine standing electrolier, for his library. "This came with the love of his students." Then there was a box of fifty beautiful carnations, his birthflower, from the faculty, and later in the day came a small box, containing $25 in gold, with the love of Red Springs, so that he might choose his own present. Then there was Founder's Day holiday, and a birthday dinner for the college girls; and at 6 o'clock the Glee Club gave a performance.

At 8 o'clock Dr. and Mrs. Vardell entertained the faculty and many friends in their home. There were delicious refreshments in the dining room, and then the crowd went into the large reception hall, where fruit punch was served, and a number of informal toasts were given.

Rev. Robert Jopling was both a witty and interesting toastmaster, and interspersed his calls with many bon mots. He called Miss Watkins to toast "The President of the College"; She was both bright and entertaining in her reply. As the gentleman to whom had been allotted the toast "To the Faculty," had not come, Dr. Vardell was called on to give it instead and he made a beautiful tribute to his co-workers of the past, and especially of this present session.

Miss Ewing next gave "Our Girls", and Miss Murphy followed with "To the Next Member of the Faculty to Enter the State of Matrimony."

This ended the toasts with a great deal of meriment, and as it was nearing midnight, Dr. Vardell's friends wished him many returns of the day, long life and happiness, and good night.

CRAVEN TEACHERS MEET.

Address by Prof. Brooks—Municipal Sensation is Sprung.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Newbern, N. C., Feb. 13.—The Craven County Teachers' Association met in regular session yesterday in the High School building. About 60 teachers were present and in addition a number of visitors. The regular programme was carried out and at its close Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, Durham, addressed the teachers on "Formalism in School Work." Prof. Brooks developed the difference between "teaching school" and "keeping school" and made a very fine impression on the teachers as to what true teaching is. The address was very inspiring and was very much enjoyed by all. At the close of the address a luncheon was served the teachers by the 10th grade pupils of the city schools and the visitors were shown over the "kitchen" "shop" and physics laboratory of the school. Music for the occasion was furnished by the High School Orchestra.

The criminal term of Craven Superior Court closed in a great rush yesterday afternoon with a large number of cases still on the docket. The one week's civil term began Monday morning. The chief topic on yesterday was the fact that the grand jury brought in bills against the present Mayor of the city, C. J. McCarthy, and also against Aldermen J. H. Weddell, H. M. Groves, B. B. Hurst, Eugene Williams, W. T. Hill, and H. H. Tooker, an employe of the city. All are charged with violating the city charter and also section 3572 of the Code, which prohibits certain persons from buying and selling to the city. The bill was brought in late and all of the gentlemen insisted on an immediate trial, but as it was not possible, the effort was at once made to get the Governor to call a special term of court to try the cases. In some circles light is made of the cases, but in others they are looked upon as a very serious matter.

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY SUNDAY.

Woman Burned to Death and Her Daughter Injured.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 14.—The awful fate which befel Mrs. L. P. Cole in this city Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock is the most horrible this city has had to happen within its borders for many years. Mrs. Cole was an invalid and while alone in her room Sunday afternoon which caught on fire, the origination of same being caused by a wood box catching on fire from a red hot stove, the flames soon reached her person and before aid reached the poor helpless woman the skin on her body, mainly her face shoulders and arms, were literally cooked. Her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Pamplin, and son-in-law, Mr. C. A. Pamplin, who is freight agent for the Southern Railway is this city, were the first to arrive upon the scene, being attracted by the screams of the burned woman, and when they reached her the room was in a mass of roaring flames and full of smoke. The daughter rushed to her mother and tried to put the fire out but was unsuccessful and in a few moments was herself enveloped with the flames and would have also been burned to death but for the presence of mind and cool judgment of her husband who took the cover from one of the beds in the room and threw it around her thus smothering the flames. The daughter then became frantic with fright and rushed out of the house to the sidewalk and began screaming for help and when neighbors reached her side she had fainted. She was painfully burned but her injuries are not considered of a serious nature. When the doctors arrived at the home they at once gave up all hope of saving the life of the mother and said it would be a blessing for her to die, as terrible was a poor word to use in expressing the suffering the poor woman was experiencing, and a few minutes after 3 o'clock Sunday night she died. Sunday was the first time the invalid woman has been left alone since she was stricken helpless. She told her nurse who is her companion that she could take the children of her daughter and go to Sunday school and the nurse had only been out a short while when the awful calamity occurred. The fire department was not called out as neighbors succeeded in putting the fire out before it had gain dangerous headway. Messages were dispatched to relatives in this and other states who today have been arriving in the city on all incoming trains. Deceased had many warm friends in this city and formerly lived in Concord, and was 50 years of age. The funeral was held from the home today at 1 o'clock conducted by Rev. Mr. Buskie, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

HIGH POINT IN DARKNESS.

Break in Line Leaves City Without Electric Juice.

(Charlotte Observer.)

High Point, Feb. 12.—On account of a break in the line of the Southern Power Company south of here, this city is entirely without electric current or power. Last night the city was in total darkness with the exception of a few stores on Main street, who are equipped with home-made gas. About a dozen of the factories are shut down due to the absence of electric power and what is most unfortunate for the city is the new street car line is put out of business just at a time when it is most needed.

On account of having about three inches of snow here the street car service would prove quite a convenience for people going to the northern part of the city and to Mechanicsville.

This is the first time the Southern Power Company has had a complete break since they are furnishing power for High Point, and it is to be hoped it will be no frequent occurrence as it means a heavy loss to the business interests here. The company's officials promise lights for tonight.

White Sale!

The Awaited and Welcome Annual Period to Most Economically Purchase White Goods of All Kinds.

Sale begins Monday on our greatest achievement in white goods selling. In quantity and variety of stocks involved, in superiority of quality of goods assembled and in actual lowness of prices quoted, this event attains high water mark in white goods value giving. Here is presented a surpassing selection of new white fabrics for garment making and household use, together with our cloud banks of new under garments that will win the admiration of all who admire daintiness, beauty and worth.

It is a Veritable Fair of Peerless White Beauty—A White Sale of Which We May Well Be Proud.

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Now Is the Time to Advertise in The Morning Star

TO FORM LOCAL PEACE SOCIETY

Number of Prominent Citizens Met Yesterday and Heard Plan Outlined by Mr. Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore.

A number of representative citizens met in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for the purpose of hearing the object of the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes explained by Mr. Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore, Md., secretary of the society organized in that city a few days ago, with a view of later forming a local organization here. Those present were very deeply impressed with the remarks of the visitor and it was decided to hold a mass meeting of citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, at a date to be announced later for the purpose of organizing a peace body as outlined by Mr. Marburg.

Mr. Marburg stated, among other things, that the settlement of international disputes by means of war should be abolished. He said in effect that the only way to make arbitration successful is by the establishment of a permanent court, removed from any national prejudice. Under the plan of the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes all matters at issue between nations would be settled by international law.

The movement has the endorsement of President Taft, Secretary of State P. C. Knox, Senators Elihu Root, of New York; Theodore Burton, of Ohio; Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore; Lyman Abbott, William Draper Lewis, of the University of Pennsylvania; L. S. Rowe, president of the American Academy of Political and Social Science; Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University; Theodore Salisbury Woosley, of Yale, one of the leading authorities on international law in this country, and many other prominent men.

The following is a copy of a letter received by Mr. Marburg from President Taft:

"The White House, Washington,
"January 31, 1910.

"My Dear Mr. Marburg:

"I have learned with interest of the plans to found an American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes.'

"The leaflets which you propose to publish, together with the meetings of national scope which you are planning to hold from time to time, may have a very great influence on the development of public opinion on this important subject. If the proposed Court of Arbitral Justice at The Hague becomes an accomplished fact, there will still remain the task of securing the adhesion of a number of powers of the court, and the very important task of so cultivating opinion in various countries as to incline governments to resort to the court when occasion calls for it. There is no other single way in which the cause of peace and disarmament can be so effectively promoted as by the firm establishment of a permanent international court of justice. "Sincerely yours,

"(Signed) "WM. H. TAFT."

The plan of those at the meeting yesterday is to invite several prominent speakers to deliver addresses of the mass meeting to be held at an early date and at the close of the discourses to organize a Wilmington branch of the society. It was suggested that President Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia; Bishop Robert Strange, of this city, and Mr. Marburg be invited to speak. More definite announcement of the plans will be made in a few days.

CAPE FEAR APPROPRIATION.

News and Observer Answers Criticism of Mr. Pence's Article.

Publishing Congressman Godwin's protest against Mr. Thos. J. Pence's reference to the rivers and harbors bill for North Carolina in his Washington correspondence, the News and Observer of Sunday has the following:

"Mr. Godwin corroborates Mr. Pence's figures. The difference, it seems, is that Mr. Pence thinks North Carolina should have got larger appropriations, while Mr. Godwin thinks the delegation did well, having got all they asked for. If Mr. Godwin is right, then the delegation was indeed modest in its demands. In this connection it might be stated that Representative Small seems disappointed, and Senator Simmons is so dissatisfied that he will make a strong fight in the Senate to have increased appropriations, especially for the upper Cape Fear project. The Senate end is covered in today's Washington correspondence. Mr. Pence will doubtless give further light on the subject of Mr. Godwin's contention Tuesday morning.

REMAINS TAKEN TO CANADA.

Mr. Arthur Coffin Passed Away Yesterday of Typhoid Fever.

Many friends learned with deep regreat of the death of Mr. Arthur Coffin, a native of New York, but who has made Wilmington his home for some months, which occurred at the James Walker Memorial Hospital at 9 o'clock yesterday morning after an illness of ten days with typhoid fever. The deceased was 32 years old and a young man held in high esteem by all who knew him. His father, Mr. Arthur J. Coffin, of Toronto, Canada, was at the young man's bedside when the end came. Accompanied by the grief stricken father the remains were taken on the 7 o'clock train last evening to Toronto, Canada, where the funeral and interment will take place Friday, upon the arrival there of the body.

Will Visit the Old Country.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Kuhlken and infant will visit their parents in Germany and have secured through Mr. A .D. Wessell, the local agent of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, choice stateroom on the large and fast steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II to sail from New York May 10th. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Kuhlken wish them a pleasant trip to the home of their youth and hope that they may find their parents in the best of health and that they may return in safety to the city.

WATERWORKS CASE ON TRIAL

Taking of Testimony in Action for $20,000 Damages Commenced in U. S. Court Yesterday—Slow Progress Being Made.

The United States Circuit Court, Judge H. G. Connor presiding, is now engaged with the trial of the case of Clarence L. Parker against the Clarendon Waterworks Company, an action for damages, both actual and punitive, involving in the aggregate $20,000, the taking of testimony in which was commenced yesterday morning upon the reconvening of court. The jury in the case was selected Saturday morning. From the progress made yesterday the case will not be concluded today.

Some little delay was occasioned yesterday morning on account of the failure of Mr. John H. Sweeney, chief engineer with the old waterworks company, to comply with the mandates of a subpoena, instructing him to bring into court a certain record book in his possession. Mr. Sweeney stated to the court that he had the book in his possession when served with the subpoena Saturday night, but on yesterday morning he left it at the office of Junius Davis, Esq., of counsel for the defendant company at the request of Mr. Davis. Mr. Davis said that he had the book in his possession, stating that the subpoena was not the proper mode of procedure. Counsel differed greatly on this point, so after some discussion directed that if counsel for the plaintiff would file an affidavit for the book he would pass upon it. This was done and the book was ordered brought into court. Mr. Davis promptly complied with the order of the court.

Mr. Parker, the plaintiff, was put upon the stand, where he remained throughout the day. When court adjourned at 6 o'clock the examination of the plaintiff had not been concluded and he will be on the stand for at least half an hour this morning. The direct examination was completed about 4 o'clock when the witness was turned over to the counsel for the defendant company. The cross-examination consumed about an hour, when counsel for the plaintiff began a redirect examination. Mr. W. N. Harriss, Deputy Clerk of Superior Court, was on the stand for a few minutes yesterday afternoon, testifying to certain papers introduced by the plaintiff's counsel.

Superintendent Finn, of the Waycross, Ga., waterworks plant, is here as an expert to give testimony for the plaintiff.

The plaintiff is represented by Meares & Ruark, of this city, and J. P. K. Bryan, Esq., of the firm of Bryan & Bryan, of Charleston, S. C., and Davis and Davis and Hon. John D. Bellamy appear for the defendant company.

When court reconvened yesterday morning Joseph W. Little, Esq., of counsel for the plaintiff in the case of Brock against the Waccamaw Lumber Company, an action brought to recover personal damages, was on hand with a number of witnesses, it having been agreed that the trial of this case should follow that of the waterworks case provided it could be heard before Wednesday, when the action against the government is set for trial. But it was evident yesterday that the case could not be reached at this term.

COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—Routine Matters.

The County Board of Education met in regular monthly session at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the office of the county superintendent of public instruction, at the Court House, with Chairman J. O. Carr presiding and Mr. W. H. Sprunt, member of the board, and Prof. Washington Catlett, superintendent, in attendance. The meeting was devoted mostly to the transaction of routine matters. A copy of the report of the last Superior Court grand jury, containing certain recommendations relative to the city graded schools, was read by Professor Catlett, after which he was instructed by the board to notify the committeemen of Hemenway and Union schools to attend to those matters which are considered absolutely necessary. There is not an over-abundance of funds and it is hardly probable that all of the recommendations will be complied with at once. The board was in session only a short time.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

Baptist Sunday Schools Express Sympathy for Orphanage.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the three Baptist Sunday Schools last Sunday afternoon:

"Whereas, affliction having visited our orphanage (smallpox) and the management severely criticised,

"Resolved 1st: That we extend to our orphanage our heart-felt sympathy in this hour of affliction and express our entire confidence in its general manager (Rev. M. L. Kesler.)

"Resolved 2nd: That we forward today's collection as a special contribution to help defray their unexpected heavy expenses.

"Resolved 3rd: That we unanimously regret and disapprove of the unwarranted and ignorant attack published in the "Wilmington Star" charging the management with criminal carelessness."

MILD WASH CURES ECZEMA.

Ordinary oil of wintergreen, mixed with thymol, glycerine and other ingredients, is known to cure skin diseases. This prescription, known as D. D. D. Prescription, can now be obtained on a special offer in a 25c bottle.

That a permanent cure can be effected by the first bottle we cannot guarantee. But ten years of experience have shown us that every sufferer gets instant relief from the ich; you will feel soothed and refreshed at once.

Call at our store and we shall be glad to tell you more about this standard eczema cure. Be sure to ask for the right name; D. D. D. Prescription.

Robt. R. Bellamy, Wilmington, N. C.

TO HAVE WIRELESS SERVICE

Gratifying Information Comes From Senator Overman to Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage.

Perhaps one of the most important announcements to the maritime interests of the port in recent years, certainly the most important since the new lightship on Frying Pan Shoals was secured from the Department at Washington, through the same influences about a year ago, came yesterday in a telegram from Senator Lee S. Overman to Mr. James Sprunt, chairman of the Board of Commissioner of Navigation and Pilotage for the Cape Fear river and bar, bringing the most gratifying information that the petition of the board for the establishment of wireless communication between Frying Pan and Southport, had been granted and that an order for the apparatus had been given and the service would be installed this Spring or early Summer. The telegram to Mr. Sprunt is as follows:

"Washington, D. C., Feb. 14, 1910.

"Hon. James Sprunt, Wilmington, N. C.

"Order has been given to establish wireless station Southport and Frying Pan Shoals; apparatus ordered and service will be installed this Spring or early Summer.

"LEE S. OVERMAN."

The importance of this service to the port cannot be exaggerated and Wilmington is to be congratulated upon the accomplishment of an end which has been most earnestly sought by the Board since the matter was first suggested by Commissioner Guthrie, of Southport, several months ago, since which time all the influence and argument possible have been brought to bear upon the Navy Department through Senator Overman, who has been most sympathetic and responsive to the suggestions of the Board.

It will be recalled that during the Fall, Mr. Sprunt, chairman of the Board, presented to the Department through Mr. Overman a most striking and convincing argument of the needs of the service as illustrated by the experience of a crew from a Cape Fear pilot boat, who were picked up during a storm by the lightship and were later enabled to reach port by means of wireless at sea, the communication having been between passing vessels in the absence of wireless on the coast. The experience of several vessels off this treacherous coast was also related by the chairman as illustrating the needs of this service. That the argument has availed with the Department is a source for congratulation not only for the port but for the chairman and for each member of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage, who have been most fortunate in all that they have undertaken in the public interest.

By means of the wireless at Frying Pan, thirty miles distant, all vessels passing along the coast will be in instant communication with Southport and Wilmington and in this respect this port will be on an equal footing with Norfolk, Beaufort and other centres of shipping information along the Atlantic coast. This will be of incalculable benefit not only to vessels in distress off the coast but to wreckers and tug boat owners here. It will also enable masters of vessels bound to this port to report their arrival much earlier and will be in many other respects of incalculable benefit to shipping generally. The project is really one not only of local but general importance and is an adaptation of a modern commercial necessity to one of the greatest needs along the South Atlantic coast. The cost of the improvement is not known here, but the appropriation is already in hand and the stations will be installed out of the budget of the Navy Department.

The securing of wireless for this port suggests in this connection that perhaps the public generally does not appreciate what the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage has accomplished for the port since its establishment by the Legislature only a few years ago. Quickly following the successful culmination of the Board's effort toward a modern lightship for Frying Pan, after a personal visit of its chairman to Washington and interviews with members of the Lighthouse Board, comes now the news of the establishment of the wireless stations. During its comparatively brief tenure, it has established on the Cape Fear river and bar one of the most thoroughly satisfactory system of pilotage ever devised; it has amicably adjusted all matters of dispute arising from the operation of the system and the navigation of the river and bar, in a large majority of cases without recourse to the courts of law; it has secured the new whistling buoy off the Cape Fear and brought about a wonderful improvement in all other aids to navigation, having now through Congressman Godwin a bill pending in Congress for permanent improvements of the ranges and lights for the Cape Fear; through the Hydrographic Department of the government, it has worked a revision of the charts and maps of the coast under which the port has suffered a long injustice, and in many other respects it has accomplished much for the maritime interests of the port. The Board is composed of Mr. James Sprunt, chairman; Mr. H. W. Malloy, vice chairman; Capt. John W. Harper, Mr. M. C. Guthrie and Mr. Richard Dosher, the two last named being of Southport, with Mr. L. Brown McKoy as clerk. These are all men of business, having their own private interests, and their service has been one of sacrifice to the greater interest of the port. It is fitting, therefore, that upon the eve of their greater accomplishment in the establishment of the wireless service at this port, that this feeble recognition of their service to the business community is made.

Steamer Glencoe Arrives.

The British steamer Glencoe, Capt. Cooper, the first of the fleet of five steamer to leave European ports for Wilmington, arrived yesterday from Norfolk, from which place she cleared Sunday. The Glencoe comes from Huelva and has a cargo of pyrites for the Swift Fertilizer Works.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Several Cases Tried at Yesterday Morning's Session.

The Recorder had several cases for his consideration yesterday morning, but the defendants, for the most part, were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct. George Roderick, a white man, who has done considerable time on the county roads, leaving the employ of the county the last time only about a month ago, was arraigned on the charge of striking J. A. Rogers with a bottle. He was represented by Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., while L. Clayton Grant, Esq., appeared for the prosecution. The Recorder found him guilty and sentenced him to 12 months on the county roads, the sentence to be suspended upon condition that he would leave the city before night. Roderick said he would rather stay away from Wilmington for two years than serve 30 days on the county roads.

W. W. Hill, colored, was tried on two charges—drunkenness and disorderly conduct and breaking down the front door to the home of Sallie Stanford, colored. In the first case he was fined $5 and costs and in the second he was fined $10 and costs, judgment being suspended upon the condition that he would repair the door.

John Foster, colored, paid the costs for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Lizzie Jackson and Mary Ferguson, colored, were assessed $5 each and the costs for an affray. George Grant, white, enriched the treasury to the extent of $5 and costs for disorderly conduct, while a similar case against Belle Williams, colored, was continued until today. Cases against Herbert Hatchell and Wm. Lloyd Turner, white youths, charged with stealing brass from the Cape Fear Lumber Company, were continued until today.

THE GOOD ROADS RALLY.

Expecting a Large Attendance at Carolina Beach Next Monday.

Arrangements have been completed for the good roads rally next Monday, February 21st, at Carolina Beach, when it is expected that a large number of Federal Point township voters will be present and voice their approval of the extension of the Federal Point road work to the 16 mile post.

The rally will be held at Mr. Kure's place on Carolina Beach and speeches will be made by Mr. D. J. Fergus, of this city, and others. It is also expected that a large number will go from here to attend the rally and the steamer Wilmington will make trips to the Carolina Beach landing both going and coming for their convenience. It promises to be an enthusiastic gathering and much interest in the proposed extension of the road work is being manifested by citizens of the township.

The road work under the present plans as authorized by the Board of County Commissioners goes eight miles from Wilmington and it is the object of the Federal Point township citizens to have the good road go through that section.

WHERE ARE THE DEAD?

Strong Discourse Last Night at Boys' Brigade Armory.

The large auditorium of the Boys' Brigade Armory was filled almost to overflowing last night upon the occasion of Pastor C. T. Russell's sermon on the question, "Where Are the Dead?" He was heard in a most profound discussion by the large congregation, which was composed of both ladies and gentlemen, the speaker having been introduced by Jos. W. Little, Esq., of the Wilmington bar. Pastor Russell made a scriptural application of the subject and drew deductions in a most logical, convincing manner. The question has been one with which theologians and scientists have wrestled during the ages and any attempt to quote the speaker would perhaps do him an injustice. It is sufficient to say that he was heard with the most intense interest by his congregation members of which were evidently much impressed with his exposition of the subject.

A VALENTINE PARTY.

Ladies Aid Society of Immanuel to Entertain Tonight.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Immanuel Presbyterian Church will give a Valentine Party tonight in the kindergarten room of the church for the benefit of the piano fund of the Sunday school. The Valentine idea will be carried out in the form of entertainment and all friends are most cordially invited. There will be refreshments and a number of pleasing little diversions appropriate to the season. The ladies hope for a very large attendance and will do all in their power to entertain their guests handsomely.

MILLIGAN-BISHOP NUPTIALS.

Marriage Yesterday in Justice Borneman's Office.

Miss Etta Bishop, of Norfolk, a beautiful and attractive young lady of Norfolk, Va., and Mr. Burl Arnett Milligan, of Bolton, N. C., were happily united in marriage at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Justice G. W. Borneman, in his office on Princess street, in his usual impressive manner. Mr. and Mrs. Milligan left on the 7 o'clock train last evening for a bridal tour to points North.

CHALLENGE FROM J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG CO.

J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co. are seeking the worst cases of dyspepsia or constipation in Wilmington or vicinity to test Dr. Howard's new specific for the cure of those diseases.

So confident are they that this remarkable medicine will effect a lasting cure in a short time, that they offer to refund the money should it not be successful.

In order to secure the quickest possible introduction J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., will sell a regular fifty cent package of this medicine at half price, 25 cents.

This specific of Dr. Howard's will cure sick headache, dizzy feelings, constipation, dyspepsia and all forms of malaria and liver trouble. It does not simply give relief for a time; it makes permanent and complete cures.

It will regulate the bowels, tone up the whole intestinal tract, give you an appetite, make food taste good and digest well, and increase vigor. Joy and happiness will take the place of that "don't care whether I live or die" feeling.

COL. MORTON NOT IN RACE.

Announces That He Will Not be Candidate for Legislature.

Coming as much of a surprise to many local politicians and others interested in the approaching campaign was the receipt yesterday of letters from Col. Geo. L. Morton, written from Jacksonville, Fla., where he has gone on business, to the effect that he would not be a candidate for re-election to the Legislature from New Hanover county. It was announced about ten days ago by intimate friends of Col. Morton that he would be in the race again this year and the letters received yesterday gave the first intimaton that he had decided not to aspire to re-election. This leaves the field to Joseph W. Little, Esq., for the present, but it was authoritatively stated yesterday afternoon that there will be at least one other candidate in the race for the Legislature, announcement of which will be made within the next few days, it is expected. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Esq., who has been most generally mentioned in this connection, stated last night that he had the matter under advisement.

The following is a copy of the letter received yesterday by The Star from Col. Morton through one of his close political friends.

"Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 10th, 1910.

"Mr. Editor:—

"I ask for space to thank my friends for their interest in me, and to express by appreciation of their confidence and loyalty.

"I would not hesitate to be a candidate again for the Legislature, but for the fact that unusual business duties will compel my absence from home for the greater part of the time between now and the primaries, and under these circumstances I could not well ask the support of my fellow citizens.

"I therefore beg to withdraw my name, thanking my good friends who nominated me and those who have so loyally come forward with offers of support.

"Very truly yours,
"GEO. L. MORTON."

Since the above was written former City Attorney William J. Bellamy has announced that he will make the race and his official card may be found elsewhere in today's paper. Mr. Bellamy is a leading young member of the Wilmington bar and has a great many friends who will learn with pleasure his decision to make the race.

CUTTER OUT FOR DERELICT.

Seminole Searching Off South Carolina Coast—Cruising.

Under orders from the Department, the revenue cutter Seminole, Capt. R. O .Crisp, is cruising off the North Carolina coast in search of a derelict recently reported by passing vessels to be in the path of navigation.

The Seminole left here for the cruise to Hatteras, but while on the way up the coast, it is understood, received a wireless message from the Department, detailing her to destroy the reported wreck. It is expected that she will spend some five days searching for the vessel, having left Southport, where she stopped on her way back down the coast last Friday afternoon. Other cutters along the Atlantis seaboard are also engaged at present in searching for obstructions that are a menace to navigation.

Read Star Business Locals.

THE human stomach can stand the wrong diet for a long time. The grate bars in a boiler's stomach can be ruined by the wrong diet in a single day. It's true they can be replaced, but replacements are costly. Where Atlantic Guaranteed Coal is used they are very seldom necessary.

ATLANTIC STATES COAL & COKE CO.,
Richmond, Va.

THE TORREY MEETINGS.

Will be Held in Champion Compress, Beginning March 6th.

Through the kindly interest and generosity of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son, the mammoth auditorium made possible at the Champion Compress, has been placed at the disposal of the committee arranging for the great Torrey meetings to begin on March 6th, and the services will be held there daily, lasting perhaps a month. Rev. R. A. Torrey, D. D., is one of the most noted evangelists of the world and he will be assisted in the meeting here by a corps of trained workers, including a choir leader of National prominence. Dr. Torrey is a member of the Moody Bible Society and so great are the demands upon his time, that he had to be engaged for the meetings here a year in advance. He is this month conducting meetings in Erie, Pa. About a year ago he visited Winston-Salem, in this State, and his work there was productive of lasting good. The meeting in Wilmington promises to attract large congregations and those in charge are planning well for it.

A SUGGESTION.

To the County Commissioners of New Hanover County.

(Communicated.)

Gentlemen:—Comparisons, I know are odious; but as some have been made in regard to assessment for taxes of some of the property in this county, I desire to offer the following suggestions; which I believe will meet the approval of 90 per cent. of the property owners of the county; i. e. that your Board cause to be published from day to day in one of the city newspapers a complete list of the assessed tax valuation of all property in the county, giving location, number of acres, and size of city lots, together with the names of the assessors who fixed the valuation, and what they were paid per day for their services.

TAXPAYER.

FRANCIS WILLARD MEMORIAL.

Interesting Programme for Meeting of W. C. T. U. Thursday Night.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. have arranged a most interesting programme for the Francis Willard Memorial to be held Thursday evening at Grace M. E. Church in honor of the anniversary of the birth of the founder of the organization. An address on the life of the great and good woman will be made by Rev. T. A. Smoot, "The General Outlook for Temperance in Our Country", will be discussed by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster and Mr. W. M. Cumming will speak on the "Prohibition Outlook in Wilmington." There will be an interesting programme of music and other exercises and a plate collection will be received for the National temperance work.

CAPT. HARPER BUYS LAUNCH.

Takes the Place of the Southport for Use in Summer.

Capt. John W. Harper returned Sunday from New York, where he negotiated the purchase of a fast naptha launch which will be put in service on the river during the Summer to take the place of the Southport, which was recently sold.

The steamer Wilmington during the Summer makes two trips down the river and it is necessary to have the additional boat for mail service principally, to ply between Wilmington and Southport. The new launch will not arrive until the early Spring, it being rather unsafe to bring her down the coast at this season of the year. The launch will be a fast one and will make a better trip between the two places than the Southport can make.

SECOND ATHLETIC MEET.

Boys of Graded Schools Arranging for Events February 25th.

Athletic associations have been formed in the different graded schools of the city and the boys are now preparing for the Spring meet which will be held at League Park Friday afternoon, February 25th. This is the second athletic meet between the boys of the city schools, the first being held very successfully last Fall. There are already considerably more entries for the Spring contests than were entered in the one held in the Fall. The boys are taking a very lively interest in the approaching contests and the meet promises to eclipse the first one. There will be contests between pupils of Hemenway and Union schools, while the High School boys will compete among themselves.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 14.—Although both sides answered "ready" today for the second trial of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railways, for offering to bribe a supervisor, the case was postponed for the first time, going over until Thursday.

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THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
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You can buy the Fashionable Tussah Silk in 15 different colors. The new silk this season.

To Those who Contemplate Buying Their EASTER GOODS

Before the rush is on, we will offer this week some "Extra Specials" of NEW GOODS---received the past week---read each article carefully, then come and make your selections.

Fashion says, "Foulard Silks for Spring of 1910."

For 69c a yard you can buy a regular $1.00 Foulard Silk, in all the new colors and designs. Trimmings to match.

For 85c a yard you can buy our regular $1.00 and $1.25 Foulard Silk, good heavy quality in all the latest colors. Trimmings to match.

For $1.09 a yard, you can buy our 36-inch Foulard Silk, worth $1.50 a yard, in six different colors and designs. Trimmings to match. Japonika Silks in all the new shades for Spring are now on display, 27 inches wide, the price, per yard.....35c

New Coat Suits for Spring are now ready for your inspection.

Prices range from $15.00 to $37.50. All new and the best to be had for the money. Come early and make your selection.

The celebrated Star Skirts, for which we are sale agents, are all on display. Every skirt is guaranteed to fit and the best the money can buy. Full assortment to select from. Prices from...$5.00 to $15.00

New Lingeree Shirt Waists are in and prettier than ever, from.....98c to $5.00
On display in Suit Department.

New Embrodeirs, New Laces, New Trimings, New Trunks, Suit Cases and Bags, New Wash Goods, New Linens, New Neckwear.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

There will be a meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Greensboro Female College, Mrs. Herbert McClammy president, at the High School building at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. This is a very important meeting and all members of the association are urged to be present.

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Many Wilmington friends will be interested in the announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Mary Winn Duffy and Mr. John M. Wiggins both popular young people of this city, the wedding to occur on the 22nd of February at the home of the bride No. 10 South Eighth street. It will be a very quiet home ceremony and will be witnessed only by members of the family and a few of the most intimate friends of the bride and groom.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Springer left yesterday afternoon for a four weeks' sojourn in Florida, going via Atlanta, Ga., where they will spend a couple of days and where Mr. Springer will attend the annual meeting of the Southern Ice Exchange, which will be in session today and tomorrow. They will visit a number of places of interest in "The Land of Flowers," and have many Wilmington friends who trust that their sojourn there will be both pleasant and of benefit to their health.

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MARRIED AT BROOKLYN PARSONAGE YESTERDAY.

A marriage of interest to a wide circle of friends here and elsewhere was celebrated at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. C. F. Whitlock, 715 North Fifth street, at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Miss Ada Grace Keith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Keith, of Rocky Point, became the bride of Mr. James D. Jackson, son of Mrs. Laura Jackson, who lives on Harnett street, this city. The nuptial event was witnessed by two sisters and a brother of the groom and members of the minister's family. The bride resided in Wilmington last Summer, boarding at the home of Mr. L. F. Harper, North Fourth street. Mr. Jackson now holds a position with a lumber company at Sellers, S. C., for which place he and his bride left yesterday afternoon, after receiving the congratulations and best wishes of many friends here.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. F. A. Fetter, of the Seaboard Air Line, returned Sunday from a business visit of several days to New York.

—Dr. J. Howell Way, of Waynesville, of the State Board of Health, was here yesterday as a guest of his Royal Arcanum friends.

—Mr. Jos. S. Mitchell, of the A. C. L. Division offices at Florence, S. C., spent yesterday in the city with friends and relatives.

—Mr. J. N. Stedman, of Charleston, S. C., spent yesterday in the city on his return from a visit to his old home at Elizabethtown, N. C.

—Lieut. Col. Harmon, who is remembered here as formerly in command of Fort Caswell, is spending a few days in the city. He is now stationed in New York.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, leaves today for Southport where this evening in the Presbyterian Church there, he will conduct services for the congregation.

—Mr. J. H. Rehder left yesterday for New York and other points North, where he will purchase Spring goods. Miss Gardner, milliner for J. H. Rehder & Co., has been in New York for the past two weeks making selections for the Spring.

—Among yesterday's arrivals at The Southern were: E. W. Baldwin, Rocky Mount; E. H. Sexton, Southport; I. A. Hufham, Bladenboro; J. E. Brady, Hope Mills; T. B. McDowell, Elizabethtown; Geo. L. Flowers, Mount Olive; J. B. Culbreth, Halisboro; W. F. Smith, Mullins, S. C.; P. D. Adams, Four Oaks; A. H. Willis, W. H. Bullard, W. L. Young, Roseboro; Edward Osborn, Sanford; J. F. Morrison, Pembroke.

LOCAL DOTS.

—By deed filed for record yesterday J. N. Sweeney, Nonie F. King and J. K. Corbett, attorney in fact for Kate B. Corbett, transferred to John Hines and wife, for $110, lot 7 in block 2 of "Love Grove."

—John Henry Nixon, colored, was tried before Justice Harriss yesterday on the charge of removing a boat belonging to Mr. J. O. Bowden, of Wrightsville. Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., represented the defendant and Herbert McClammy, Esq., prosecuted. The justice found the defendant guilty from which decision an appeal to the Superior Court was taken.

—Tony McClelland, colored, was indicted by Deputy Sheriff W. H. Howe in Justice Harriss' court yesterday for failure to list his personal property for taxation. The examination was waived and the defendant bound over to Recorder's court. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., appears for the defendant and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., for the prosecution.

Valentine Party.

One of the most thoroughly enjoyable of the several Valentine parties given this season was the one last night by Misses Herring at their home, 119 Chesnut street, in honor of Mrs. S. O. Smith, of New York, who is their guest. The home was most attractively decorated with hearts, valentines, potted plants and flowers. A number of games appropriate to the occasion were indulged in to the satisfaction of all. The evening was enlivened by several delightful musical selections. The pleasing affair was attended by 50 or 60 young people.

PERFECT FLAVORING EXTRACTS

Blue Ribbon Vanilla and Lemon are known as the perfect flavoring extracts. The best that money and experience can produce.

The Theatre

Judging by both the size and the warm words of approval of the audiences that yesterday greeted the new bill at the Crystal Palace that popular vaudeville house is certainly making good with its promise to give Wilmington the best obtainable in the Southern field. The new bill, that opened yesterday, is a splendid one and was accorded hearty applause by those who had the pleasure of witnessing it. There are four acts in the new offering and each is of fine type. The bill is the strongest for novelty ever presented at the Palace, because there are two of the best novelty acts on the boards. Mae Blanchard, the famed rolling globe artists, is on the bill and does some dainty, skilled and daring feats. She rolls around on a big globe at ease and performs some astonishing stunts. The other big novelty act is that of the Great Levy and his act is what may be termed the exception to the rule. He performs some wonderful feats of strength and his sketch is entirely different from any heretofore presented at the Palace. The comedy on the bill is supplied in strong and fine manner by Quigley and Adair, who present an exceedingly clever and bright skit, gloriously filled with songs and laughs. Miss Emma Austin, the talented and favorite illustrated song singer, is also contributing largely to the splendor of the bill.

"The Girl From Rector's."

After a successful engagement at Weber's Music Hall, New York, during the past season, "The Girl From Rector's" comes to the Academy tonight. The work is a translation of Pierre Veber's famous comedy "Loute" by Paul H. Potter, who became known to the American theatre goers by his dramatization of Du Maurier's "Trilby."

"The Girl From Rector's" is declared by the metropolitan critics to be one of the funniest of high class productions made there in many years. The plot deals with the actions of a young society woman of Battle Creek Mich., who is charitably inclined. She spends most of her time in her own circle at home, but her husband, a Judge at the Court of Shanghai, is away for such long periods she decides to go to New York for recreation. She is attracted by the glaring lights at Rector's and there she makes her headquarters. In the course of time she earns the sobriquet of "The Girl From Rector's," and on her next visit to Battle Creek she meets at the home of a society friend many of those of the Rector circle. She has been posing as the daughter of a Buffalo man ,and while "The Girl" in a way, is endeavoring to explain her dual identity, complications arise which reveal a series of situations that keep the audience in a roar to the final curtain.

At the Bijou Today.

The feature picture at the Bijou today will be "The Life of Moses," which is interestingly told in motion pictures. The other picture is "Why They Married." The story is one that appeals to all classes and will prove intensely interesting to the large audiences.

The messages from the merchants are always interesting—and usually affect the "state of your purse."

TOWN DRY FOR 50 YEARS

Millionaire Offers Improvements and People Welcome Chance.

Hudson O., Feb. 14.—This village voted that it was worth while to remain "dry" for 50 years in order to obtain a water works plant, electric light and sewerage system and kindred improvements.

The electorate turned out in a body after a hot campaign and voted to accept the proposition by 162 to 97.

James W. Ellsworth native of Hudson but at present millionaire resident of New York, offered the village the advantages named if it would vote "dry" and stay so for 50 years; paint its houses white with green blinds and put on red tile roofs, grow hedges to replace the populace picket fence, plant shade trees and clean up.

When the offer was first made two years ago, the village promptly voted "dry" and painted itself white. Ellsworth built a boys' club and a new congregational parsonage.

Discontent arose, however, among the "wets" and petitions for a return of the saloon were circulated, resulting in today's election. Ellsworth served notice that he would continue his portion of the improvements if the town went "dry," but that on the whole he was rather disgusted.

MEADOWS WINS GREAT RACE

Canadian Takes Honors in 15 Mile Professional Indoor Meet.

New York, Feb. 14.—Fred Meadows, of Toronto, Canada, won all the way tonight in one of the greatest indoor 15-mile professional running races ever seen in this country. His time of one hour 21 minutes 24 1-5 seconds, is the fastest ever made in Madison Square Garden, but is 9 1-5 seconds behind his own world's record made last week at Toronto. He was never pressed. Meadows is now the champion of the world at this distance.

BAILEY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Texas Senator Spoke to General Assembly on Income Tax.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 14.—Senator Bailey, of Texas, speaking before the members of the General Assembly of South Carolina tonight, declared that the fate of the proposed amendment to the constitution lay with the South Carolina legislature. It was his opinion that the only means to raise the necessary revenue for the government provided the tariff was decreased under a future Democratic administration would be the income tax.

A Generous Charity.

As advertised last week, Messrs. J. M. Solky & Co., the enterprising clothiers in the Masonic Temple, yesterday gave away knee pants suits to a number of the city's deserving poor who went to the store properly recommended by minister or other responsible person. It was seen early in the day that the original number of suits would be far inadequate to meet the demands, so Mr. Solky was generous enough to instruct the salesmen to allow no deserving case to go without response and a large number of the suits were given away. The act cannot be too highly commended.

Railway Telegraphers Here.

A delegation from the Order of Railway Telegraphers over the Atlantic Coast Line is here for conferences with General Manager Royall with reference to certain adjustments that are wanted by the men in the terms of their employment. It is stated that the conferences have been very satisfactory and that all differences will likely be amicably adjusted before the telegraphers leave the city.

MARSH ONLY WITNESS.

Hearing as to Cotton Exchanges Before Committee Yesterday.

Washington, Feb. 14.—"There isn't a word that Herbert Knox Smith says in his report on cotton exchanges about the subject of hedging that is worth anything," emphatically declared Vice President A. R. Marsh of the Cotton Exchange of New York, before the House Committee on Agriculture today. Mr. Marsh was the only witness before the committee when the hearing on the anti-option bill was resumed.

Both futures and spot quotations, according to Mr. Marsh, are governed by the law of supply and demand. He suggested that some of the members of the committee seemed to believe the conduct of the cotton business is on an exceedingly mechanical basis and he insisted that it must be understood that the cotton merchants base their base on a multitude of things.

Mr. Marsh thought it was one of the most remarkable things about the cotton market that it often goes up when it is expected to go down and go down when it is expected to go up. No "dope" that is untrue can affect the price of cotton more than a few hours he said.

Representative Sims asked Mr. Marsh's view as to the feasibility of levying a tax on future transactions "You cannot draw a law today taxing contracts for future deliveries in New York without its applying to deliveries anywhere in the United States," replied Mr. Marsh.

"Would not such a law eliminate the bona fide speculation?" insisted Mr. Sims. Mr. Marsh did not answer.

Mr. Lever elicited from the witness that about 75 per cent. of the transactions on the exchange are "hedged" transactions and 25 per cent. speculative. He then wanted to know what proportion of the transactions carried on in the exchange were illegitimate ones—those in which delivery of cotton is not contemplated by buyer or seller.

The witness replied that that question was almost as personal as the one which Mr. Sims asked him Friday when the witness resented the query as an insult to every member of the exchange.

ACCIDENT ON BOARD.

One Burned to Death, Others Scalded on Torpedo Boat.

Sandiego, Cal., Feb. 14.—One man is dead, five are badly burned, one of whom may not survive, and two are painfully scalded about the face and hands as a result of a boiler tube explosion today in the forward battery of the torpedo boat destroyer Hopkins.

R. E. Taylor, a first-class fireman, was the first of the injured to succumb to the burns sustained in the scalding steam that enveloped the men in the boiler room. He died tonight after 11 hours of agony. Most of his clothing was burned from his body and his arms, legs and chest were cooked.

L. B. Carletilo, a second-class fireman, is nearly as severely burnel as was Taylor and his recovery is doubtful. The others are in no danger.

When the accident occurred the Hopkins was at a pier on the Coronado side of the bay and was getting up steam for a run to San Pedro.

Fishkill Landing, N. Y., Feb. 14.—February 23rd has been set as the date for the first hearing on the application of Harry K. Thaw to be testified from the Mattewan Asylum for the Criminal Insane to some other State institution.

KEENE'S PART IN POOL.

Millionaire Horseman Testified He Made Money When It Collapsed.

New York, Feb. 14.—James R. Keene, the millionaire horseman and stock exchange member, took the stand today to explain his part in the Columbus & Hocking Coal & Iron pool which collapsed last month and took three stock exchange houses down with it. The hearing is being held before Thomas Alexander, United States Commissioner in bankruptcy, on application of Irving L. Ernst, receiver for the failed firm of J. M. Fiske & Co., to determine the assets of the firm.

Mr. Keene admitted that he was the manager of the pool and named his occupation as "stocks and speculation, I suppose." His testimony was of interest chiefly as of the business methods of the man commonly conceded to be one of the most, if not the most, expert manipulator of stocks known to Wall Street, and presumably chosen manager of the Hocking pool for that reason.

The early questions of counsel for the receiver brought out that there were two Hocking pools, the first of which was dissolved last March at Mr. Keene's instance. "I thought the stock was too high", he explained, "and I told them (the members) so I sold out the stock and delivered it to them. The members thought they knew better than I and they went on.

"When I sold out that pool I thought I had made a great stroke. I made a pile of money, but some of the members of the pool were so greedy they would buy at any price and you couldn't keep them away."

Later, he estimated the profits of the first pool at $250,000, but would not venture to appraise his own profits.

Accordingly, he testified these "greedy" members formed a second pool in July, of which Mr. Keene again consented to assume the management. How many shares he held in it himself, counsel could not ascertain.

Mr. Keene had no paper he said, to show who were the members of the pool. An exact record of the brokerage transactions of the pool was kept by his book president in the pool book, but he "never looked at books", and could not explain tabulations of sales and purchases which he himself produced. Holdings of the pool were largest, he admitted, immediately before its collapse. The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

DR. FREDERICK COOK LOCATED

Arrived at Santiago, Chile, Yesterday. Seems Disgusted.

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 14.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook arrived here tonight from Valdiva. He was accompanied by his wife.

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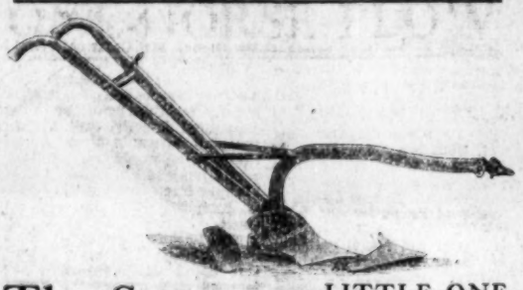

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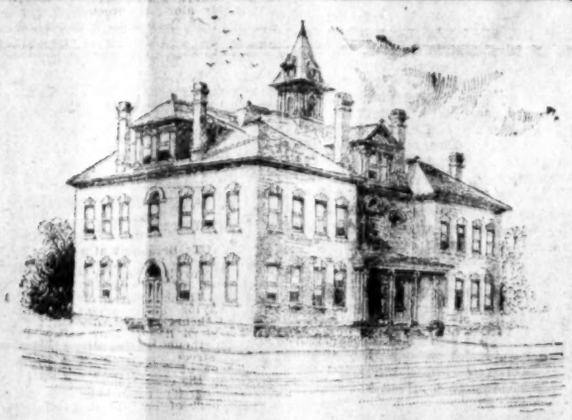

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MARKET QUOTATIONS

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 14.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady 58 1-2 cents.

ROSIN—Market, steady $3.90 per barrel.

TAR—Market, firm $2.00 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market, firm $3.00 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip and $5.75 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 37, rosin $2.65, tar $1.70, crude turpentine $1.75 and $2.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	1
Rosin	265
Tar	109
Crude turpentine	(—)

Receipts, same day last year 6 casks spirits turpentine; 17 barrels rosin; 451 barrels tar; 29 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nothing doing. Quotations corresponding day last year 8 9-16c.

Receipts—897 bales, same day last year 234 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith Feb. 12th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, No. 1, $1.12 and $1.20 per bushel; Spanish $1.40 and $1.50.

CORN—Firm 90@95c per bushel for mixed.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; old hams 20; shoulders 14@15; sides 14@15c.

EGGS—Dull 24 and 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Spring 20@30; grown 35@45c; scarce.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Good demand at 2@3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDE—Dr. flint 14c; green 8c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Good demand 35@60c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Burr 18c; free of burr 24c.

GOATS—50@75 per head.

PORK—Small corn fed 8@9; large 8@9 cents, owing to quality.

SHEEP—Old no demand; Lambs, dull $1.25@2.50.

TURKEYS—Good demand 15@16c on foot; dressed 18@22c.

PEAS—White black eyes $2.25 and $2.40; lady fingers $2.75; clay and cow peas $1.50 and $1.75.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—The cotton market was very quiet today and after opening higher, eased off under local selling in the absence of bull support, with the closing tone steady at a net loss of 7 to 16 points. The opening was steady at an advance of 4 to 8 points in sympathy with the firmness of Liverpool and New Orleans over the local holiday and the large spot business reported in the English market where there were sales of 320 bales since the close of last Friday. Weekly reviews of the dry goods trade reporting an improved demand for cotton goods, helped to create good market at the start, also, but it soon became apparent that the news was not bringing in any fresh demand of consequence, and the absence of support encouraged local traders to take the short side for a turn. While there was some buying by spot houses on a scale down, the market showed little rallying power at an time during the day and turned decidedly easier in the last hour under continued local selling, scattering liquidation and a few stop loss orders. The close was within a point or two of the lowest, although the tone was steadied by covering and a moderate demand from trade interests. Southern spot markets as officially reported early were 1-8c higher to 1-16c lower. No precipitation was reported in the southwest over the holidays and further complaints are received from there of insufficient moisture, while private advices from the south were generally very bullish as to the spot situation in the interior. Such bullish reports as were received today, however, appeared to be insufficient to inspire fresh purchases, and local traders seemed to be influenced as much by the failure of the market to respond to bullish news, as by any other feature in the situation. It was rumored that the National Ginners' Association reports 190,000 bales ginned since January 16.

Receipts at the ports today were 12,597 bales against 8,824 last week and 26,841 last year, for the week 75,000 bales against 75,279 last week and 142140 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 3,543 bales against 11,082 last year and at Houston 4,678 bales against 5,341 last year.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 15.15; middling gulf 15.40; sales 500 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month.	Open.	Close.
February		14.78
March	14 98	14.79
April		14.77
May	15.05	14.81
June		14.71
July	14.88	14.69
August	14.29	14.11
September		14.38
October	12.94	12.82
November	12.67	12.66

Cotton Ill., Feb. 14.—Butter, firm 28c; sales for the week 443,300.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET

Liverpool, Feb. 14.—Cotton: Spot, good business done, prices 2 points higher. American middling 8.63; good middling 8.35; middling 8.19; low middling 8.09; good ordinary 7.83; ordinary 7.58.

The sales of the day were 12,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and including 10,000 American. Receipts 16,000 bales including 15,000 American.

Futures steady and closed barely steady. February 7.93; February and March 7.91 1-2; March and April 7.90 1-2; April and May 7.88 1-2; May and June 7.86 1-2; June and July 7.81 1-2; July and August 7.77; August and September 7.42; September and October 7.01 1-2; October and November 6.81 1-2; November and December 6.72; December and January 6.70; January and February 6.69; February and March 6.69.

DICK BROS. & CO., COTTON LETTER.

New York, Feb. 14.—Today's cotton market was dull and somewhat easier, with no feature calling for special comment aside from the strength of the May position, which is still being persistently bought by bulls and possibly Liverpool, inasmuch as May and June options in Liverpool is 19 to 20 American points over July and August.

Our Mr. C. T. Revere, who has just returned from the South, confirms reports of a strong spot situation in the South. He finds that although there are some points in the South where there appears to be some accumulation of cotton there is a demand for every bale of it, and the main reason for slack business at present is the indifference of holders about accepting prices even at the 15 cent level in the interior. Mr. Revere, reports sentiment in the South generally bullish among the cotton men who are generally bearish. Those who feel against the market, he says, seem to consider the big spot business at Liverpool as the only bullish feature at present. Exporters are doing practically nothing, as the bids will permit of almost no new business. Southern mills appear to have very little cotton, and spot people doing a business with New England, report that while mills are buying only from hand to mouth, they still have a large portion of their needs uncovered. Nothing definite can be stated about new crop preparations. Judging from present indications there will be only a moderate increase in acreage, but this and that with the yield will not be greatly increased. The South seems to have learned that intensive cultivation will do more than acreage, and it would not be surprising, with favorable weather, to see the South break all previous productions per acre. The sale of mules and fertilizer have been on a record-breaking scale.

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PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 15 1-8; net receipts 5,721; stock 112,243.

New Orleans—Quiet and steady, 15 1-16; net receipts 3,543; stock 197,589.

Mobile—Quiet, 15 1-8; net receipts 569; stock 30,538.

Savannah—Steady, 15; net receipts 1,224; stock 72,414.

Charleston—Quiet, 15; net receipts 15; stock 23,509.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts 897; stock 15,909.

Norfolk—Firm, 15; net receipts 679; stock 30,593.

Baltimore—Nominal, 15; stock 10,919.

New York—Quiet, 15.15; stock 161,919.

Boston—Quiet, 15.15; net receipts 284.

Philadelphia—Steady, 15.40; net receipts 25; stock 2,093.

Jacksonville—Net receipts 100.

Total today at all ports, net receipts 12,997; Great Britain 12,000; Continent 14,368; stock 655,748.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 22,442; Great Britain 15,600; France 1,508; Continent 30,971.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 5,858,462; Great Britain 1,638,829; France 761,883; Continent 1,808,586; Japan 52,574; Mexico 12,819.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Quiet and steady, 15 1-16; net receipts 4,678; stock 114,807.

Augusta—Quiet, 15 1-8; net receipts 179; stock 50,912.

Memphis—Steady, 15 3-8; net receipts 1,654; stock 181,860.

St. Louis—Steady, 15 1-4; net receipts 184; stock 43,645.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 321; stock 13,611.

Little Rock—Steady, 14 3-4; net receipts 320; stock 51,093.

Louisville—Firm, 15 1-2.

Total today—Net receipts 7,375; gross receipts 12,319; shipments 12,406; sales 3,252; stock 404,328.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—Flour firmer with a moderate inquiry.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Dull.

Barley—Nominal.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 1.20 bid elevator and 1.29 nominal fob afloat. Options 1 3- above Friday's close, May 1.20 1-8; July 1.11 1-8.

Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 72 1-2 levator domestic 73 delivered and 71 fob afloat nominal. Options 1-4@1 net higher. May 76 1-8; July 70; September 75 7-8.

Oats—Spot firm; mixed 26 to 32 pounds nominal. Options 1-2c net higher. May closed 52 3-4.

Pork—Firmer.

Lard—Strong.

Tallow—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady.

Coffee—Steady, futures unchanged to 5 points lower. Spot steady No. 7, 8 7-8 to 9 3-4; Santos No. 4, 9 to 9 1-2; Mild quiet; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2.

Potatoes—Irregular; Bermuda second crop per barrel 3.50 to 5.50; Maine per bag 1.40 to 1.60; state and western in bulk per 180 pounds 1.50 to 1.62; frosted stock per bag 75 to 1.25; Jersey sweets per basket 50 to 1.00.

Cabbages—Steady; Danish seed per ton 25.00 to 28.00 domestic 10.00 to 18.00 red 25.00 to 30.00; Florida new per crate 2.00 to 2.25.

Freights—Easy; cotton to Liverpool per 100 pounds 12 grain 1 1-4d; grain to London 4d.

Peanuts—Firm; fancy handpicked Virginia 5 1-2 to 5 3-4; Virginia shelled Numbers 1 and 2, 4 to 7.

Butter—Firm; creamery specials 28 1-2; extras 27 1-2; third to first 24 1-2 to 27; state dairy, common to finest 23 to 27; western dairy 22 to 23 1-2.

Cheese—Firm; state, full cream, full made special 17 1-2 to 18; do fancy 17 1-4; do good to prime 16 1-4 to 16 3-4.

Eggs—Steady; state, Pennsylvania and nearby hennery white 28 to 30; do gathered white 28 to 30; do hennery brown and mixed fancy 28 to 29; refrigerators 21 1-2 to 23.

The cotton seed oil market was barely steady for the near positions with some further liquidation, but the late months were steadier with small offerings and a better demand and at the close the market was unchanged to 7 points advanced with sales of 11500 barrels. March 6.99 to 7.00; May 7.18 to 7.19; July 7.26 to 7.28; September 7.22 to 7.28; prime crude 5.93; prime summer yellow 6.90 to 7.00; prime winter yellow 7.10 to 7.45; prime summer white 7.100 to 7.30.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—There were many buyers in the jobbing market during the day and operations were on a more confident scale than at any time this year. Attention was given principally to wash goods and dress goods departments. There has been a steady demand for dress ginghams of fancy weaves, more particularly noted in staple domestics prints and knit goods. The white goods departments are also doing a better business with a trend toward sheer goods noticeable. Swiss and voile effects in white are wanted.

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Wheat prices advanced today under the spur of crop damage reports. Corn and oats moved within narrow limits closing a trifle higher than Friday while provisions showed unusual strength from the start, pork jumping at the outset from 30 to 80c and closing not far from the high point with other products at a material advance.

	Opening.	Highest.	Closing
Wheat—			
May	1 11 1-8	1 12 5-8	1 12 1-2
July	1 02 1-2	1 03 3-8	1 03 3-8
Sept	97 3-4	98 5-8	98 5-8
Corn—			
May	67	67 1-4	67
July	66 7-8	67 1-4	67
Sept	66 3-4	67 1-4	67
Oats			
May	47	47 1-4	47 1-8
July	43 7-8	44	44
Sept	41	41	40 7-8
Mess Pork, per bbl.			
May	23 62 1-2	23 65	23 55
July	23 45	23 45	23 42 1-2
Lard, per 100 lbs.			
May	12 65	12 72 1-2	12 70
July	12 62 1-2	12 62 1-2	12 62 1-2
Short Ribs per 100 lbs.			
May	12 35	12 35	12 35
July	12 20	12 32 1-2	12 30

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Cash wheat No. 2, 1.20 to 1.25; No. 3 red 1.16 to 1.20; No. 2 hard 1.13 to 1.14 1-2; No. 3 hard 1.11 to 1.13 1-2; No. 1 northern 1.14 to 1.16; No. 2 northern 1.13 to 1.15; No. 3 spring 1.12 to 1.13.

Corn—No. 2, 64 to 65; No. 2 white 65 to 66; No. 2 yellow 65 to 65; No. 3 63 to 63 1-2; No. 3 yellow 63 to 63 1-2; No. 3 white 63 to 63 1-2; No. 4 57 to 59; No. 4 white 59 to 60; No. 4 yellow 58 1-2 to 60.

Oats—No. 2, 48; No. 2 white 48 3-4 to 49 1-2; No. 3 47 1-4; No. 3 white 48 to 48 1-2; No. 4 white 47 1-2; standard 48 1-4 to 3-4.

THE STOCK MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—The principal fact lumented by the action of the stock market today was its lapse, in large part into the hands of the professional element. The element had been impressed on Friday with assertions put in circulation regarding the contents of President Taft's speech, than in prospect for Saturday night. These assertions lent a color of leniency to the supposed views of the President on the corporation problem which aroused the fear amongst bearish speculators that that subject was to be converted into a factor for booming stocks rather than a cause anxiety to corporation interests. The sustaining effect on prices and the scanty offerings of stocks caused fresh intimidation to the bear party and they bought to cover with increasing urgency. The end of the day saw the severe declines of the opening replaced by substantial net gains with prices rising. The shrinkage in the volume of transactions demonstrates the small selling pressure at any of the day's price levels.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, were $2,760,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales of stocks today were 734,200 shares.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 14.—Money on call easy 2 3-4 to 3 per cent., ruling rate 2 7-8; closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3. Time loans dull and steady; sixty days 3 1-2 per cent. and ninety days 3 3-4; six months 4.

Prime mercantile paper 4 1-2 to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8395 to 4.84 for sixty day bills and at 4.8610 for demand. Commercial bills 4.83 1-4 to 7-8. Bar silver 51 1-2. Mexican dollars 44.

U. S. BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s registered	100 1-2
U. S. ref. 2s, coupon	100 1-2
U. S. 3s, registered	102 1-4
U. S. 3s, coupon	102
U. S. 4s, registered	114 1-2
U. S. 4s, coupon	114 1-4
Allis Chalmers 1st 5s	80 1-2
American Agricultural 5s	101 5-8
American Tel. & Tel. cv 4s	102 3-4
American Tobacco 4s	76 1-4
American Tobacco 6s	105 1-2
Armour & Co. 4 1-2s	92 3-4
Atchison gen. 4s	100 5-8
Atchison cv. 4s	115 1-4
Atchison cv. 5s	117 3-8
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	99 3-4
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	99 7-8
Baltimore & Ohio 3 1-2s	92 1-8
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. 3 1-2s	90 1-8
Brooklyn Transit cv 4s	83 3-8
Central of Georgia 5s	108 3-8
Central Leather 5s	99 1-4
Central Pac. 1st of N. J. gen. 5s	124 1-4
Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1-2s	103
Chesapeake & Ohio ref. 5s	103 1-4
Chicago & Alton 3 1-2s	73 5-8
Chicago, R. & Q. Joint 4s	96 3-4
Chicago, B. & Q. gen. 4s	99 1-8
Chicago, Mil. & St. P. gen 3 1-2s	88 1-2
Chicago, R. I. & P. R. R. col. 4s	81 1-8
Chicago, R. I. & P. Ry. rfg. 4s	80 7-8
Colorado Industrial 5s	79
Colorado Midland 4s	38 3-4
Colo. & Southern ref. & ext. 4 1-2s	98 1-4
Delaware & Hudson cv. 4s	100 3-8
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	96 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande ref. 5s	94
Distillers 6s	72 1-2
Erie prior lien 4s	94
Erie Gen. 4s	76
Erie cv. 4s series "A"	76
Erie cv. 4s series "B"	70
General Electric cv. 5s	142
Illinois Central 1st ref. 4s	99
Interborough Met. 4 1-2s	81
Inter. Merc. Marine 4 1-2s	87 1-4
Japan 4s	92
Japan 4 1-2s	95 3-8
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73
Lake Shore deb. 4s (1931)	94 1-2
Louisville & Nash. Un 4s	79
Missouri, Kan. & Texas 1st 4s	98 3-4
Mo., Kan. & Texas gen. 4 1-2s	81 1-2
Missouri Pacific 4s	81 1-4
National Rys. of Mexico 4 1-2s	94 1-2
New York Central gen. 3 1-2s	99
New York Central deb. 4s	95 3-8
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford cv. 6s	134 1-2
Norfolk & Western 1st con. 4s	98 3-4
Norfolk & Western cv 4s	103 1-2
Northern Pacific 4s	100 3-8
Northern Pacific 3s	73 5-8
Oregon Short Line rfdg. 4s	94 3-4
Penn. cv. 3 1-2s (1915)	97
Penn. Con. 4s	104 5-8
Reading Gen. 4s	99 5-8
St. Louis & San Fran. fg 4s	83 1-4
St. Louis & San Fran. gen. 5s	88 5-8
St. Louis S'western con. 4s	79 3-4
St. Louis S'western 1st gold 4s	93 1-4
Seaboard Air Line 4s	82 1-2
Southern Pacific col. 4s	92 3-4
Southern Pacific cv. 4s	102 1-8
Southern Pacific R. R. 1st ref 4s	95 1-8
Southern Railway 5s	108 1-8
Southern Railway gen. 4s	79 7-8
Union Pacific 4s	101 1-8
Union Pacific cv. 4s	109 3-8
Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	97 1-2
U. S. Rubber 6s	103 1-8
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	104 3-4
Virginia Car. Chemical 5s	99 1-4
Wabash 1st 5s	111 1-2
Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	73
Western Md., 4s	84 1-4
Westinghouse Electric cv. 5s	92
Wisconsin Central 4s	94 3-4

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers pfd	40
Amalgamated Copper	76 3-8
American Agricultural	42
American Beet Sugar	31 1-2
American Can pfd	76 3-4
American Car & Foundry	60 3-4
American Cotton Oil	60
American Hide & Leather pfd	36 3-4
American Ice Securities	24
American Linseed	14
American Locomotive	30 1-2
American Smelting & Refing	92 5-8
Amer. Smelting & Refing pfd	107
American Sugar Refining	124 3-4
American Tel. & Tel.	137 1-8
American Tobacco, pfd	93
American Woolen	34
Anaconda Mining Co.	50
Atchison	115 3-8
Atchison pfd	103 1-8
Atlantic Coast Line	128
Baltimore & Ohio	111
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	91
Bethlehem Steel	27
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	73
Canadian Pacific	183
Central Leather	39 1-2
Central Leather pfd	107 3-8
Central of New Jersey	200
Chesapeake & Ohio	54 1-8
Chicago & Alton	39
Chicago Great Western	20 7-8
Chicago & Northwestern	158
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	144 3-4
C. C. C. & St. Louis	77 1-2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	37 5-8
Colorado & Southern	37 3-4
Colorado & Southern 1st pfd	81
Colorado & Southern 2nd pfd	79 1-2
Consolidated Gas	144 5-8
Corn Products	18 3-4
Delaware & Hudson	172 1-2
Denver & Rio Grande	40 5-8
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	70 7-8
Distillers' Securities	39 5-8
Erie	28 5-8
Erie 1st pfd	45
Erie 2nd pfd	33 1-2
General Electric	151 1-2
Great Northern pfd	130 1-2
Great Northern Ore Ctfs.	74
Illinois Central	140 3-4
Interborough Met.	20 5-8
Interborough Met. pfd	52 5-8
Inter Harvester	85 1-4
Inter Marine pfd	19 3-4
International Paper	12
International Pump	46 3-4
Iowa Central	23
Kansas City Southern	30 3-8
Kansas City Southern pfd	68
Louisville & Nashville	149 3-8
Minneapolis & St. Louis	43 1-2
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M	144 7-8
Missouri Pacific	49 7-8
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	41 5-8
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd	71
National Biscuit	105
National Lead	80 3-4
Nat'l Rys. of Mexico 1st pfd	90
New York Central	119 5-8
New York, Ont. & Western	45
Norfolk & Western	101 1-4
North American	79 1-2
Northern Pacific	136 1-4
Pacific Mail	29 1-2
Pennsylvania	132 5-8
People's Gas	109 3-8
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	97 1-2
Pressed Steel Car	40 1-4
Pullman Palace Car	198
Railway Steel Spring	40 3-4
Reading	165 1-4
Republic Steel	38 1-4
Republic Steel pfd	103
Rock Island Co.	17 7-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	34 1-4
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd	48 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern	28 7-8
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	72 1-2
Sloss Sheffield Steel and Iron	73
Southern Pacific	125 3-8
Southern Railway	28 1-4
Southern Railway pfd	64
Tennessee Copper	32 1-2
Texas & Pacific	29 7-8
Toledo St. Louis & West	43 1-2
Toledo St. Louis & West pfd	64 7-8
Union Pacific	172 1-2
Union Pacific pfd	109 1-4
United States Realty	73 1-2
United States Rubber	41 7-8
United States Steel	29 7-8
United States Steel pfd	119 1-4
Utah Copper	50 1-2
Virginia Carolina Chemical	39 1-4
Wabash	21 1-4
Wabash pfd	47
Western Maryland	48 3-4
Westinghouse Electric	68 1-4
Western Union	71 1-2
Wheeling & Lake Erie	5 1-4
Wisconsin Central	46 1-4

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Feb. 14.—Rosin steady, turpentine quiet.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 14.—Turpentine firm 59 1-2. Rosin firm. Quote: A, B, C, 4.25; D, 4.75; E, 4.45; F, 4.45; G, 4.57 1-2; H, 4.65; I, 4.70; K, 5.75; M, 6.30; N, 6.50; WG, 6.75; WW, 7.00.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 14.—Turpentine firm 59 1-2; sales —; receipts 1,19; shipments 328; stocks 21685. Rosin firm; sales 175; receipts 864; shipments 1,227; stock 134,076. Quote: A, B, C, 4.20; D, 4.37 1-2; E, 4.45; F, 4.55; G, 5.47 1-2; H, 4.65; I, 4.70; K, 5.75; M, 6.30; N, 6.50; WG, 6.75; WW, 6.90.

MARINE

ARRIVED.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

Str. Sabine, Hale, Georgetown, S. C., H. G. Smallbones.

Br. Str. Glencoe, 1,848 tons, Cooper, Huelva, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

Schr. Bayard Hopkins, Hopkins, Buckasport, S. C., C. D. Mafflt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Bayard Hopkins, 397 tons, Hopkins, C. D. Mafflt.

Str. Forerie (Br.) 2,591 tons, Gardner, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

R. T. Rundlett, 219 tons, Roberts, C. D. Mafflt.

Mary A. Randall, 1,108 tons, Robinson, C. D. Mafflt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 14, 1910.

W. & W. Railroad—235 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—567 bales cotton, 1 barrels, tar;

A. & Y. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 96 barrels rosin.

Str. City of Fayetteville—169 barrels rosin, 34 barrels tar.

Schr. H. & A. Royal—62 barrels tar.

Total—897 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 265 barrels rosin, 100 barrels tar.

ASSIGNEES' SALE

JEWELRY STOCK—At 12 o'clock "M" on Monday 28th February 1910 at No. 27 South Front street, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., I will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, all the stock of Jewelry etc., assigned to me by J. T. Burke. Inventory filed with John D. Taylor, Clerk Superior Court, and Stock can be inspected from 10 to 12 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday 15th, Saturday 19th, Tuesday 22nd, and Saturday 26th, inst.

This 12th February 1910.

PAUL CAASE, Assignee.

A. J. MARSHALL, Attorney.

fe 13 til fe 28.

SALE OF LAND FOR PARTITION

By virtue and in pursuance of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover County made and entered at the December term, A. D. 1909, in a cause therein pending whereing Wm. H. Graffiln, Wm. H. Graffiln, Executor of Richard B. Buck, and Wm. H. Graffiln, Trustee, are plaintiffs, and Emma C. Graffiln, Frank D. Graffiln, Edith B. Graffiln, Fred'k L. Graffiln and wife, Mary S. Graffiln, Laura Elma Buck; Jas. S. Woodside; Safe Deposit & Trust Co., of Baltimore, Executor of Thos. M. Lanahan, Wm. H. Crawford, Administrator of John C. Graffiln, Margaret Lanahan, Josephine Reeder, Kate Renshaw and Mary Matilda Carter are defendants, the undersigned Commissioner duly appointed by said decree, will expose for sale by public auction for cash to the highest bidder at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, on Monday the 28th day of February, A. D. 1910, at 12 o'clock M. on said day, the following described tracts pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, and some within and some without the corporate limits of the City of Wilmington, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Swann street one hundred and fifty feet westwardly from the southeastern intersection of Swann and Sixth streets, and runs thence southwardly and parallel with Sixth street fifty feet and two inches (50 ft., 2 in.) thence westwardly and parallel with Swann street twenty-five feet (25 ft), more or less, to the Hilton line, thence along the Hilton line northwestwardly about sixty feet (60 ft) to Swann street, thence eastwardly along the southern line of Swann street about forty-five feet (45ft), more or less, to the beginning, same being part of Lot one in Block 310 of Wilmington, N. C.

THIRD TRACT: Beginning in the eastern line of Fifth street at a point one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of Swann and Fifth streets, runs thence eastwardly and parallel with Swann street about forty feet (40ft) to the Hilton line, thence northwestwardly along the Hilton line to its intersection with the eastern line of Fifth street at a point about sixty feet (60ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Fifth and Nixon streets, and runs thence southwardly along the Eastern line of Fifth street one hundred and twenty feet (120ft) to the beginning, same being parts of Lots two and three in Block 324, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington.

FOURTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the northern line of Swann street seventy-five feet (75ft) westwardly from the northeastern intersection of Seventh and Swann streets, and runs thence westwardly along the northern line of Swann street thirty-seven feet and six inches (37 ft. 6 in), and thence northwardly and parallel with the western line of Seventh street sixty feet (60ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Swann street thirty-seven feet and six inches (37 ft. 6 in), and thence northwardly and parallel with the western line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot five in Block 325.

FIFTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Sixth street one hundred and thirty-two feet (132 ft) southwardly from the southwestern intersection of Sixth and Taylor streets, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to Brown street, thence southwardly along the line of Brown street six feet (6 ft) and thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of Sixth street, thence northwardly along the western line of Sixth street six feet (6 ft) to the beginning, the same being parts of Lot one and two in Block 336.

SIXTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Fifth street one hundred and twenty feet (120 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Fifth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Fifth street thirty-nine feet (39 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to Brown street, thence northwardly along the western line of Brown street thirty-nine feet (39 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots two and three in Block 356.

SEVENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Love street thirty feet (30 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Love and Taylor streets, and runs thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Love street thirty feet (30 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five (75 ft) to the eastern line of Love street, thence northwardly along the eastern line of Love street thirty feet (30 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot one in Block 337.

EIGHTH TRACT: Beginning at the southeastern intersection of Taylor and Sixth street, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Sixth street seventy feet (70 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the western line of Love street, thence northwardly along the western line of Love street seventy feet (70 ft) to Taylor street, thence along the southern line of Taylor street one hundred and fifty (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one and two in Block 337.

NINTH TRACT: Beginning at the southwestern intersection of McRee and Taylor streets, and runs thence westwardly along the southern line of Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with Seventh street thirty feet (30 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft) to the western line of McRee street, thence northwardly along the western line of McRee street thirty feet (30 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot one in Block 338.

TENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street thirty feet (30 ft) southwardly from the southeastern intersection of Seventh and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft) thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence northwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Seventh street sixty feet (60 ft), and thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street seventy-five feet (75 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lot two and three in Block 338.

ELEVENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Eighth street ninety feet (90 ft) southwardly from the southwestern intersection of Eighth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the western line of Eighth street sixty feet (60 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the eastern line of McRee street, thence northwardly along the eastern line of McRee street sixty feet (60 ft) and thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being parts of Lots two and three in Block 339.

TWELFTH TRACT: Beginning in the western line of McRee street at a point sixty-six feet (66 ft) northwardly from the northwest intersection of Nixon and McRee streets, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet 475ft), thence northwardly and parallel with McRee street fifty-eight feet (58 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft), and thence southwardly along the western line of McRee street fifty-eight feet (58 ft) to the beginning, same being part of Lot four in Block 325.

THIRTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at the southwestern intersection of Taylor and Ninth streets, and runs thence southwardly along the western line of Ninth street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft), thence westwardly and parallel with Taylor street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the eastern line of Brooklyn street, thence along the eastern line of Brooklyn street northwardly one hundred and fifty (150 ft) to the southern line of Taylor street, and thence along the southern line of Taylor street eastwardly one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one, two and three in Block 329.

FOURTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Brooklyn street seventy-five feet (75 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of Brooklyn and Nixon streets, and runs thence northwardly along the eastern line of Brooklyn street sixty feet (60 ft) thence eastwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft), thence southwardly and parallel with the eastern line of Brooklyn street sixty feet (60 ft), and thence westwardly and parallel with Nixon street seventy-five feet (75 ft) to the beginning, the same being part of Lots four and five in Block 329.

FIFTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at the southeastern intersection of Ninth and Taylor streets, and runs thence southwardly along the eastern line of Ninth street one hundred and eighty feet (180 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Taylor street fifty-seven feet and five inches (57 ft 5 in), more or less, to the Hilton line, thence northeastwardly along the Hilton line one hundred and eighty-six feet (186 ft), more or less, to the southern line of Taylor street, thence westwardly along the southern line of Taylor street one hundred and five feet (105 ft), more or less, to the beginning, the same being part of Lots one, two and three in Block 340.

SIXTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the eastern line of James street ninety feet (90 ft) northwardly from the northeastern intersection of James and Taylor streets, and runs thence eastwardly, parallel with Taylor street, thirty-one feet and ten inches (31 ft. 10 in), more or less, to the Hilton line, thence northwestwardly along the Hilton line about eighty-four feet (84 ft), more or less, to where the Hilton line intersects the Eastern line of James street, and thence southwardly along the eastern line of James street to the beginning, the same being part of Lots three and four in Block 347.

SEVENTEENTH TRACT: Beginning at a point in the western line of Sixth street thirty feet (30 ft) southwestwardly from the southwestern intersection of Sixth and Howard street, and runs thence westwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and fifty feet (150 ft) to Brown street, thence southwardly along the eastern line of Brown street sixty feet (60 ft), thence eastwardly and parallel with Howard street one hundred and f

THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture. Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 15, 1910.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Monday, Feb. 14th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 26 degrees; 8 P. M. 41 degrees; maximum 51 degrees; minimum 26 degrees; mean 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 00; for the month, 3.03 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Sunday 17.3 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and warmer Tuesday Wednesday probably rain, followed by much colder, moderate south winds.

Port Calendar—Feb. 14.

Sun Rises.....6:57 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:56 P. M.
Day's Length.....10 hrs. 59 min.
High water at Southport 12:10 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 3:10 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. E. Boultz—Architect.
American National Bank—Which.
Wm. J. Bellamy—Announcement.
Crystal Palace—Big Novelty Bill.
J. M. Solky & Co.—Cold Weather.
Wilmington Lodge, A. F. & A. M.—Regular Communication.

Business Locals.

Lost—Roll of Bills.
Wanted—Roller Top Desk.
W. H. Cox—Lost or Strayed.

CAST OFF PARTISAN LINES.

Keynote of John Temple Graves Speech at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 14.—"I hope my fellow citizens of the Southland soon will be getting rid of narrow partisan lines", John Temple Graves, formerly of Atlanta, now editor of the New York American, declared today in addressing the Gulf States Merchant Marine Convention. "Too long have they been trammeled by the views of their fathers. They must begin to realize that different conditions, different environments, different issues are coming up which serve to becloud and belittle the issues and tenets, political and otherwise, which were rigidly held by their forefathers. There is no part of the country which will be more benefitted than the South through the completion of the Panama Canal, yet for reasons of party politics there is an apathy which causes blind opposition to what should be their best interests."

The convention will conclude tomorrow with addresses by several prominent speakers, the probable perfection of a permanent organization, and a memorial to Congress favoring so-called "ship subsidy" legislation.

AMERICAN LEAGUE GAMES.

Will Adopt a Schedule of 154 at Meeting in Chicago Today.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—The American League will adopt a 154 game schedule at its meeting which begins here tomorrow, regardless of the action of the National League in New York, according to a statement made by President B. B. Johnson today.

"We will stick to the old length of the schedule during 1910," said Mr. Johnson. "We will adopt 154 games whether the National League in New York decides upon 154 or 168 games."

The American League meeting will begin tomorrow but the schedule will not be adopted until Wednesday.

The principal business to come before the meeting tomorrow will be the adoption of the new ten year agreement. The programme under which the American League exists will expire in November of this season. The American League was in existence at the beginning of 1900, but the agreement was not adopted until June later in the year. Apparently there will be no objections to the continuance of the circuit for another decade as all the clubs are well satisfied with present conditions.

ROCKY MOUNT AFFAIRS.

Supt. Newell in Washington—Murder in Halifax County.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 14.—General Superintendent W. H. Newell, of the First Division of the Atlantic Coast Line, has been in Washington for the past two days attending a meeting of the Senate Committee, which is hearing evidence relative to a change in the law regarding the shipment of live stock.

News was received in this city Saturday of an assault and murder in Halifax county, near Brinkleyville, which occurred on Thursday afternoon of last week. A negro, John Collins, was lodged in Halifax county jail on Saturday to await a preliminary hearing today, charged with having murdered his 18-year-old son. From what could be learned here, it is understood that the man and the son engaged in a row, came to blows and that the father knocked his son down and stamped on him, giving him injuries from which he died a short time afterwards. The prisoner held is about 45 years old and has been a well-to-do colored planter for a number of years.

AS TO CUSTODY OF MINORS.

Gasque Measure Passed South Carolina House Yesterday.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 14.—The House of Representatives today passed the Gasque bill relating to the custody of minors, substituting the Gasque bill for the similar measure of Senator Graydon's, which had already passed the Senate. The bill seeks to remedy objections to the statute allowing the deeding of children, under which the recent Tillman case was brought.

Saved From Awful Peril.

"I never felt so near my grave" writes Lewis Chamblin, of Manchester, Ohio, R. R. No. 3, "as when a frightful cough and lung trouble pulled me down to 115 pounds in spite of many remedies and the best doctors. And that I am alive today is due solely to Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me. Now I weigh 160 pounds and can work hard." It also cured my four children of croup." Infallible for coughs and colds, its the most certain remedy for lagrippe, asthma, desperate lung trouble and all bronchial affections, 50c and $1.00. A trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Robt R. Bellamy.

MAY SEND COMMANDER PEARY.

To Lay Claim to Wilkes Land in Antartic Seas—More Honors.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the North Pole, had the unique experience today of being decorated by a foreign scientific society and vituperated by a fellow explorer and countryman. Furthermore it was announced that Congress may supply funds with which the American, who has been furthest north, will lead an expedition into the Antartic seas to lay claim to territory discovered nearly 100 years ago by another intrepid American and over which no flag has yet been flown.

The Italian Geographical Society has conferred on Commander Peary the King Humbert gold medal. Commander Peary, however, has withheld his acceptance of the society's invitation to him to speak in Rome, for he is in a measure now subject to the orders of the Navy Department.

Secretary Meyer today announced if it was decided to have Commander Peary head the expedition that will lay claim to Wilkes Land, on behalf of the United States, President Taft would ask Congress to provide sufficient funds for the carrying out of the expedition.

Wilkes Land which lies far down in the Antarctic was discovered early in the 19th century by Charles Wilkes, an American naval officer. In view of the interest now attaching to the search for the South Pole, it suddenly has become of importance. The House Committee on Naval Affairs which voted down the proposition to retire Peary with the rank and pay of a rear admiral has received a number of letters, condemnatory and otherwise, on the action. One was received today from Capt. R. S. Osbon, president of the Arctic Club of America, which is bitter in the extreme. Capt. Osbon, who championed the cause of Dr. Cook in the recent Peary-Cook controversy, did not mince words in denouncing Mr. Peary and attributing to him infraction of practically all the rules of decency and good taste.

To give Commander Peary the rank and pay of a rear admiral, Captain Osbon, declared would have been a "foul blot on the records of Congress and an insult to the navy of the United States and would have disgusted millions of our citizens."

BELIEVE NAVAL TUG LOST.

Fruitless Search of Cruisers and Cutters for Tug Nina.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The search of the United States Navy and Revenue Cutter Service for the naval tug Nina and her crew of 32 men was continued today with grim fidelity. Not a trace of the little craft has been found at the end of the third day of the exploration of the Atlantic and the only ray of hope is found in the absence of any reports of wreckage in the broad expanse of water from Norfolk to Boston. Even this hope is discounted by the fact that the vessel being of steel construction may have gone suddenly to the bottom of the sea before the crew had time to launch a boat or displace a life preserver.

The fate of the crew is all a matter of conjecture and the hope to which officials cling is that they were picked up by some passing vessel not yet spoken by the searching squadron. It is possible that they might be aboard a foreign bound steamer and have not yet been transferred. The government is pushing the search with all possible speed and thoroughness and will continue to work until all hope is abandoned. Today the Navy Department ordered the fast scout cruiser Salem, which is searching the Virginia capes to proceed to Winter quarters and Fenwick lightships, located a little above Hog Island, off the Virginia shore, and explore the waters in that vicinity.

This action was taken as a result of word from the recruiting office at Baltimore that the Merchant & Miners' steamship Howard had sighted the Nina at noon, February 6th, nine miles southeast of Hog Island. She was then weathering the gale, however, the Howard reported and did not seem to need any assistance at that time.

All the other vessels are patrolling the courses mapped out for them in what seems to be a futile effort to locate the missing craft or learn anything whatever as to the fate of its unfortunate crew.

THE REAL FACTS ABOUT MRS, FINCHER

As Told by Herself, in a Letter Lately Received, Giving Full Particulars About Her Case.

Peavy, Ala.—"I had been troubled a little for about 7 years," writes Mrs Ludie Fincher, of this place, "but was not taken down, until March 1907 when I went to bed and had to have the doctor.

"He did all he could for me, but I got no better. I hurt all over, even to my arms, so badly I could not rest. I had pains in my sides, back, bowels, shoulders and chest. I can't tell how I did suffer.

"At last I began to take Cardui, and I hadn't taken but half a bottle, until I began to improve.

"I continued to take it until I had taken four bottles, and now I am in very good health and able to do all my housework."

You may wonder why this medicine is so successful in curing sick women, after other medicines have failed. The answer is not far to seek.

Cardui is successful, because it is composed of ingredients that act specifically on the womanly constitution. It is not a cure-all. It is a medicine for women and only for women.

Its success is due to its merit.

Try it.

N. B.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

INSURANCE CASE FRAUDS.

Indictments Against Five Returned at Louisville, Ky., Yesterday.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 14.—A grand jury today returned indictments against T. T. O'Leary, J. J. Keane, P. J. Needham, Dr. J. C. Rogers and Dr. C. G. Scott on the charge of criminal conspiracy to defraud in the alleged "graveyard" insurance cases recently brought to light. All those indicted except Dr. Scott, who was not arrested, gave bond.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

BUSINESS LOCALS

WANTED—Roller top desk in good condition. Address "Desk" care Star. fe 15 3t

LOST—A package of bills. Reward if returned to G. F. Bunt Furniture Co. fe 15 3t

LOST OR STRAYED—One white and brown female Pointer. Return to Harvey Cox at the sheriff's office. fe 15 1f

WANTED—Young lady with two years' experience wants position as bookkeeper and stenographer; can do either or both. Can give good references. Address P. O. Box 458 City. fe 15 2t*

WANTED—Buyers for nice new 40 pound feather beds at $10.00. The Stokes Furniture Co., Burlington, N. C. ja 30 su ap 1

WANTED—Young men to learn automobile business by mail and prepare for positions as chauffeurs and repair men. We make you expert in ten weeks; assist you to secure position. Pay big; work pleasant; demand for men great; reasonable; write for particulars and sample lesson. Empire Automobile Institute Rochester, N. Y. fe 14 2t*

BIG INDUCEMENTS to salesmen of ability to sell lubricating oil and greases on commission. Champion Refining Co., Cleveland, Ohio. ja 9 su 8t

RECEIVED TODAY Car load Maine grown seed potatoes; raised exclusively for seed stock; best to be had. Irish cobblers, Early Rose, White and Red Bliss, Early Sunlight, 50 bushels Union sets, white, red and yellow. Full line seed to select from. When in need of seed, call on the seed store. W. J. Kirkham & Co., 104 South Front street. fe 4 1m

SULTANA OLIVE OIL—Mr. Vadadi, the Sultana agent here, has arranged to have this oil distributed in the future by Hall's drug store, Fifth and Castle. Pints 50c. Quarts $1.00. Phone orders filled promptly. no 4 tf

TO FARMERS—Use Keith Phosphate Lime, save half your fertilizer bill as well as improve your soil, increasing your crops from 50 to 100 per cent. For prices write R. P. Keith Company, Wilmington, North Carolina. ja 20 1m

PUBLIC STENOGRAPHER, notary Public. Expert work, any kind, anywhere, any time. Meares Harriss, 114 Princess street. Office 'phone 708, residence 506. ja 9 su to th tf

FOR SALE—The controlling interest in medium size, long established Hosiery Mill. Splendid opportunity for man of small capital. Address Hosiery Mill, care Wilmington Star. ja 30 1mo

FOR SALE, the valuable property on Princess street until recently known as the "Star Building." Four floors including basement. Size of lot, 58 1-4x66 feet, and includes half of the wide alley adjoining building on West. Only 66 feet from the site of the new Customs House. Address Wm. H. Bernard, Fayetteville, N. C. ja 5 tf

ANOTHER LOT of our home-made liver pudding. Fresh pig, hams, dressed chickens. Choice lot of fruits. Quickest delivery in town. Try us. Palace Market. Phone 72. fe 12 tf

WANTED AT ONCE—Two night firemen, one capable of taking charge of boilers, one as helper. Coharie Lumber Co., Parkersburg, N. C. fe 10 6t

FOR SALE—Some fine young mules and horses, wagons and harness. Apply J. Whitt Gurley & Co., 121 1-2 Princess street. fe 10 1w.

KEEP YOUR EYE on our show case. The display will be changed frequently. Every time we change it will be better. The Gem Studio. Foltz & Kendrick, 114 Market street. no 27 tf.

FOR SALE—The best line of trunks and leather goods in the city. Our prices can't be beat, call at Uncle Charley's Pawn Shop, 108 Market street. Just a whisher from Front street. fe 8 tf

HORSES AND MULES for the farm. Horses for the road, horses that your wife can drive with safety. Ponies for children. Frank Green & Co., 15 South Second street. ja 30 1m.

CHARLES T. HARPER, M. D.—Practice limited to Genito-Urinary and Rectal diseases. Office 507-508 Southern Building, Wilmington, N. C. Phone 1166. ja 11 3m

TRY OUR REGULAR LUNCH from 12 M. to 3 P. M. daily, 25c; prompt service, everything in season; best drip coffee in the city. The Junction Restaurant, corner Front and Princess. Open night and day. fe 5 tf

SHIP ME your eggs, poultry, hams, hides, beeswax and any kind of produce. Will pay highest market prices and make prompt returns. N. C. Hams a specialty. C. B. Bellohs, 16 North Second street. 'Phone 1576. de 12 tf.

LOST MONEY LOUISE—In days gone by but now I'm wise. I've found where and how to make money by shipping my raw furs, hides, tallow, wool, beeswax, worm seed, produce etc., to C. D. Gilbert & Bro., 212 Market street. de 7 tf

ENLARGEMENTS, old dim pictures of any kind worked over. Fine photographs a specialty. The U. C. Ellis Studio. fe 10 tf

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To show new customers what we can send in exchange for their hard earned dollars, we are willing to lose $10,000.00 by cutting the price on our Pure Straight Whiskey and name the following un-heard-of figures:

3 full gallons.....$3.75
4 full gallons.....4.25
12 full quarts.....4.50
24 full pints.....4.75

we ship by express

This is regular old-time whiskey and distilled right here in Florida by honest North Carolina people. We give you overflowing measure and when the whiskey is received and tested if you don't agree it's worth $2.50 per gallon, keep 2 quarts free, return balance and we will send back your money because it belongs to you.

PURE WHISKEY $1.25 GALLON

Southern Dist. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.

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FRONT STREET MARKET
Stalls Nos. 1 and 2 North Side.
Stalls Nos. 1 and 3 South Side.
Phones 128 and 141.
fe 12 tf

February 15, 1910.

WILMINGTON LODGE, 319, A. F. & A. M.

Regular monthly communication this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock.

Visiting Brethren cordially invited

THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.

fe 15 1t

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THE ROYAL ARCANUM; ITS OBJECTS, ITS WORK

Stupendous Sum of $130,115,915 Paid Out in Benefits—Membership Now Nearly 245,000—More Than $1,750,000 Paid to Families of Deceased Members in North Carolina.

At the time when events accentuate the importance of and magnify the interest in the Royal Arcanum, it will not be amiss to briefly state hawt that great institution is.

The Royal Arcanum is a fraternal beneficiary order with just enough of secret society macninery to make it interesting and attract attention that under different circumstances might not be as keen as the character of the organization fully warrants. It was incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts in November, 1877. It was organized at Boston June 23rd, 1877, and in the 32 years of its existence it has spread throughout the United States and Canada, a complete and efficient system making it one of the most successful and greatest of all mutual benefit associations.

Its High Purposes.

Founded with unselfish motives on the part of its promoters, conducted upon strict business principles, improved by an experience of 32 years, the Royal Arcanum has all the facilities for successfully promoting its objects, viz:

1. Fraternal Union.
2. Moral and material aid to members and their dependents.
3. Education of its members; assistance of widows and orphans of deceased members.
4. Relief of sick and distressed members.
5. Payment of death benefit of $1,000, to $2,000 or $3,000.

Why It Succeeds.

1. It was founded for a benevolent purpose.
2. It has never deviated from that purpose.
3. Its business policy is both conservative and progressive, and the expenses of its management are very low.
4. It is extremely careful in the selection of its members.
5. It promptly fulfills every fraternal and financial obligation as fast as they mature.

What it Provides.

1. All the social enjoyments and advantages of a Great Fraternity.
2. All the financial protection of a powerful life insurance corporation, without unnecessary expense or accumulation of capital.
3. Sympathy and aid to the member while living and to his bereaved family in securing prompt payment of their claims.
4. A rigid medical examination, which must be supervised by a State Medical Examiner.
5. That the financial officers must give bonds. The funds must be deposited in designated banks, in different parts of the country, and properly safeguarded.

Emergency Fund.

The plan of the order to aid its members and to pay death benefits is based upon the assessment of its members, and in order to make it safe and reliable a large emergency fund is maintained in its treasury. This emergency fund is the surplus of assessments above amounts needed for current mortality claims and are invested by the Executive Committee in securities in which Massachusetts Savings Banks are allowed to invest their deposits. The securities in which the fund is invested are registered and deposited with the State Treasurer of Massachusetts so that the amplest protection of the fund can be secured. These securities can only be withdrawn for the purpose of the trust by order of the Supreme Council or on a requisition signed by a majority of the Executive Committee of the Supreme Council, and such requisition must be approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

This fund can be used only to pay death claims.

On the 31st of January, 1910, the emergency fund footed up the large total of $5,863,006.69, while the report of the Supreme Treasurer up to the date given shows that since the founding of the Royal Arcanum the grand total of receipts for the widows and orphans' fund have reached the stupendous amount of $135,790,759.45. Out of this amount there has been paid to beneficiaries the sum of $130,115,915.15 and of that sum there has been distributed in North Carolina more than $1,750,000. Beneficiaries in Wilmington have received $23,000.

The total excess of resources over known liabilities are now $6,472,234.63. The gain for the emergency fund in 1909 was $806,331.47 over that of 1908.

Truly, it is a grand record, and it is a remarkable part of that record that no defalcation of a Royal Arcanum officer has ever occurred and the Order has never lost a dollar by bad investments.

Bonds signed by a guarantee company, or other responsible sureties, are required of each financial officer of the Order.

On Strong Foundation.

The Royal Arcanum does not contemplate furnishing a makeshift for or cheap temporary protection to its members, but permanent, absolute protection, good not only for the present, but for the generations to follow our present membership.

Its mortality experience for 27 years has been compiled, and therefrom has been constructed a reliale mortality table, showing the actual cost of furnishing protection to members at the different ages for a limited term or the whole period of life.

Rates of Assessment.

From this actual mortality experience of nearly four hundred thousand lives exposed to risk, its rates of assessment have been reduced. They are as low as is consistent with permanency and absolute safety.

No part of its mortuary fund is used in payment of expenses.

The amount of one assessment cannot be changed if one takes the Option A plan, which offers a constant rate for the whole period of life.

Its Regular Rate is a constant term rate to age 56, and then changes to a constant rate for the remainder of life. This rate provides protection during the productive period of life at the minimum cost and requires very small accumulation of reserve in the hands of the corporation.

The monthly assessments are one-twelfth the annual mortality cost according to the Order's experience.

Expenses.

The expenses of the Supreme Council are met by Supreme Council Dues of 80 cents a year in Grand Council jurisdictions and $1.00 a year in States where there is no Grand Council; payable in equal semi-annual instalments on the first days of January and July.

Expenses of the Grand and Subordinate Councils are met by the Quarterly Dues payable to Collectors.

By this plan each member knows just how his contributions are disposed of.

Monthly Rates.

The rates are based on the experience of the Order for a period of 27 years, thus providing for the increasing cost on account of increasing age.

This method of graded assessments based upon a mortality table commends itself for its fairness and equity, and attracts to it those in middle life, as well as the younger men. It also removes the opportunity for our competitors to avail themselves of the stock argument that we are a "pass the hat concern," as it removes any such feature from our contracts, and makes of our certificates exactly what the emblem of our Order indicates: Home Protection.

Twelve assessments a year, payable without notice on the last day of each month, before 10 o'clock P. M. Extra assessments are provided for in compliance with state laws.

Fraternity and Permanency.

Fraternity is demonstrated in history to be the most reliable basis for every form of human institution. In fact, it is the Government, the State, the family. It means equity, economy and permanency. It stimulates justice, frugality and thrift; avoiding luxury, extravagance and fraud, its death involves the death of kindness in the heart, of integrity in the soul, the miscarriage of God's greatest mandate to man.

The oldest human institution now existing is a fraternal Order—American Odd Fellowship.

Rt. Hon. Wm. E. Gladstone said with reference to fraternal Orders:

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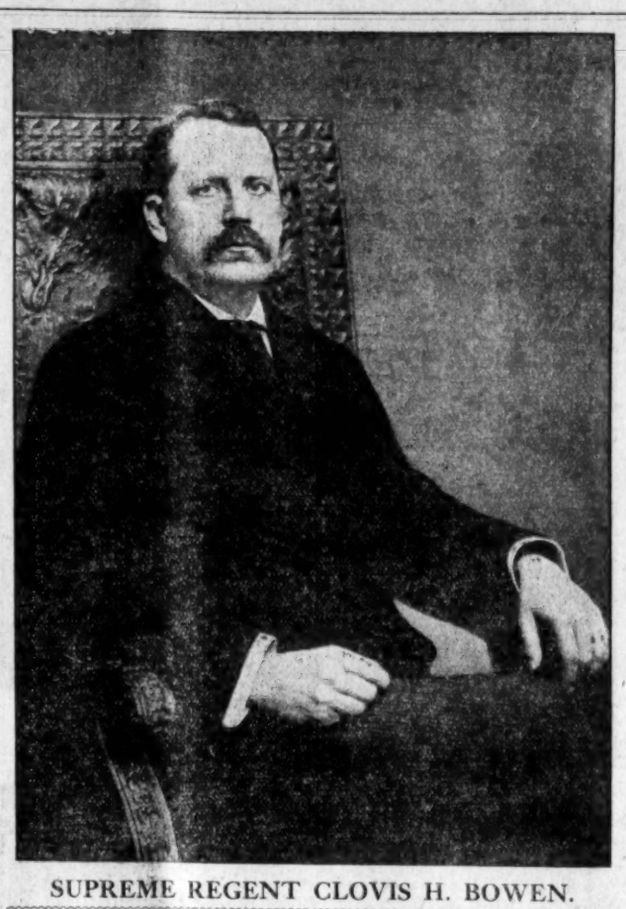
SUPREME REGENT C. H. BOWEN

Graduate of West Point, Prominent Business Man and a Loyal Arcanian—Guest of Grand Ruling of North Carolina.

Hon. Clovis H. Bowen, Supreme Regent of the Royal Arcanum, who is Wilmington's distinguished visitor, was born about fifty years ago in Chepachet, R. I. He attended the graded schools of the town until he was 15 years of age, when after graduating from the grammar school he entered Dean Academy, Franklin, Mass., remaining there for two years. He left there to enter the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., on an appointment won by competitive examination, and completed the full course. His active career as a business man began in Pawtuckett, R. I., in 1884, and he has been very prominent in the business and banking life of that city. He is the treasurer and manager of the Collyer Insulated Wire Co. (which he organized in 1891), treasurer of the Collyer Machine Co., and director in the Slater Trust Co.

Twenty-nine years ago he materially assisted in organizing Pawtucket Council, No. 537, and was elected its first Past Regent. When the Grand Council of Rhode Island was organized in 1890, he was elected Grand Vice Regent, and in 1891 Grand Regent. He entered the Supreme Council in 1898 at Cleveland and was one of the 14 members to vote for a change of rates as presented in the plan of the commission. He has since served as a member of the Committee on Council Work, member Supreme Trustees, elective member of the Executive Committee, Supreme Orator and Supreme Vice Regent, to all of which, including the Supreme Regency, he has been unanimously elected.

Supreme Regent Bowen has always been an active worekr for the Royal Arcanum, true to its best interests and loyal to its high principles and aims. Honored and respected by the community in which he lives and by the Order in the several position which he has filled, he brings to the office of Supreme Regent qualities of mind and heart which bespeak a successful leader.



SUPREME REGENT CLOVIS H. BOWEN.

LINWOOD DOZIER LATTA.

Past Regent, Carolina Council 1874, Member and Secretary of Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent.

In reading store ads most people are looking for definite information about some particular article—hence merchants should quote prices always.

HENRY E. BONITZ,

Grand Regent and Chairman of Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent Upon Occasion of His Visit.

ARCANUM GROWTH IN STATE

Percentage of Gain in State Greater Than Any Jurisdiction in America—History of Two Wilmington Councils.

Henry E. Bonitz, of Wilmington, who is serving his second term as Grand Regent of the Grand Jurisdiction of North Carolna, was the first Regent of Carolina Council. He comes of German parents, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. W. Bonitz, for many years residents of Wilmington, but who are both natives of Germany. He is also a nephew of the late Julius A. Bonitz, founder of the Goldsboro Messenger, which subsequently became the daily Wilmington Messenger. The Grand Regent was born at Goldsboro, N. C., in 1872, but subsequently removed with his parents to Wilmington and was reared in this city. In 1873 he was graduated from the State Agricultural and Mechanical College, at Raleigh, where he took a course in Mechanical Engineering and Architecture. He adopted Architecture as his profession and after completing his college course he served two years under the late Mr. James F. Post, who designed and built the city Hall and many other public and private buildings in Wilmington. Mr. Bonitz, subsequent to his association with Mr. Post, opened an office for himself, taking at once high and deserved rank in the profession and winning success of pronounced character.

Grand Regent Bonitz is somewhat a "jiner," being a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Odd Fellows, and several other fraternal organizations. He has passed through all the chairs of all lodges of which he is a member and has represented Jefferson Lodge, No. 61, K. of P., in the Grand Lodge. He joined Carolina Council, Royal Arcanum, in May, 1901, and was chosen as his Council's representative to the Grand Council which met at Wilson in 1902. At that session of the Grand Council he was appointed a member of the finance committee, and thenceforward he was rapidly promoted till he was elected Grand Regent at the 1908 session of the Grand Lodge held at Winston Salem. He was reelected Grand Regent at the session of the Grand Council held in Newbern in 1909. His term of office expires in April, 1910.

Under the administration of Grand Regent Bonitz, the councils throughout the Grand Jurisdiction of North Carolina have received more than 500 applications for membership—the applications in 1909 having exceeded 200, while the list ran over 300 in 1909. While final reports from subordinate Councils have not been completed, the indications are that the membership gain for 1909 has been nearly 8 per cent for the Grand Jurisdiction. This, as officially verified by the Supreme Secretary, is the largest percentage of net gain made by any Grand Jurisdiction in the United States.

Grand Regent Bonitz holds the remarkable record of having held an office in either subordinate or Grand Councils since the first night he was initiated into the Order. After he had served his first term as Regent he was elected Secretary of Carolina Council, which secretaryship he has continued to fill while he has been Grand Regent. He is today secretary of his local Council.

During Mr. Bonitz's incumbency as Grand Regent, the Grand Jurisdiction has been signally honored by official visits from two Supreme Regents, one Past Supreme Regent and one Vice Supreme Regent. The growth of the Order under Grand Regent Bonitz has been phenomenal. During his two terms of office 28 of the 45 Councils in the State have been officially visited by him and his second term is closing with Arcanism flourishing throughout North Carolina.

In his home city of Wilmington, Grand Regent Bonitz is highly esteemed personally and professionally. He is a progressive citizen and his skill as an architect is attested by many handsome residences and commercial buildings in Wilmington and throughout North Carolina. His special work has been the designing of churches and school houses and many of these are to be found all over the country, models of beauty and utility.

Mr. Bonitz is the third Grand Regent which Wilmington has furnished to the Grand Council, their order being as follows:

Late Joshua G. Wright, Cornelius Harnett Council, No. 231.

I. L. Greenwald, now of Philadelphia, Cornelius Harnett Council, No 231.

Henry E. Bonitz, Carolina Council, No. 1874.

MEMORIAL AT HARVARD.

To Sons of Confederacy Who Fought in Civil War.

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 11.—A memorial to the Sons of Harvard who fought and died in the cause of the Confederacy, is proposed as a solution of the controversy which has been raging among the undergraduates over the question of allowing the names of the Confederate dead to be placed in memorial hall at Cambridge.

Letters bearing on both sides of the question have been printed in the college daily newspaper and the official organ of the alumni has come out squarely against the proposition to admit Confederate names to the roll of honor in memorial hall.

As a measure of compromise it is now suggested that a separate memorial to Harvard's dead sons be erected either in Cambridge or South of Mason's and Dixon's line.

CAROLINA COUNCIL NO. 1874

Was Organized Nearly Nine Years Ago—Families of Deceased Members Have Received $11,000. Splendid Increase.

Carolina Council, No. 1874, Royal Arcanum, was organized in 1901 by I. L. Greenewald, who was then the Grand Regent of the Grand Jurisdiction of North Carolina. The Council was instituted on the night of May 13, 1901, with the following charter officers:

Regent—H. E. Bonitz.
Vice Regent—W. J. Bellamy.
Sitting Past Regent—E. F. Johnson.
Orator—Marsden Bellamy, Jr.
Secretary—C. H. O'Berry.
Collector—R. C. DeRosset.
Treasurer—W. C. Armstrong.
Chapinin—H. W. Bagg.
Guide—W. L. Burkhimer.
Warden—J. W. Robinson.
Sentry—W. J. Meredith.

The Council began its career of beneficence and usefulness with 49 members, and it has been one of Wilmington's livest organizations.

The Council now has a membership of more than 125, and the following constitute its present officers:

Regent—F. W. Bonitz.
Vice Regent—J. E. Bunting.
Orator—Henry Bremer.
Sitting Past Regent—L. D. Latta.
Secretary—H. E. Bonitz.
Collector—M. F. Allen.
Treasurer—R. G. Rankin, Jr.
Chaplain—W. J. Toomer.
Guide—J. W. Robinson.
Warden—E. R. Rheu.
Sentry—I. J. Lockfaw.
Medical Examiner—Dr. Morris M. Caldwell.
Representative to Grand Council—W. J. Toomer.

During the almost nine years' existence of the Council, the following members have died:

Cicero T. Hawes, died March 6, 1902.
Charles E. Gordon, died July 22, 1904.
Edward F. Johnson, died December 7, 1906.
Isaac M. Bear, died September 10, 1907.
John Hill Bunting, died August 8, 1909.
Walter Gaylor, died August 20, 1909.

The membership of the Council is composed principally of young business men of Wilmington and many of them are among our most prominent and successful citizens.

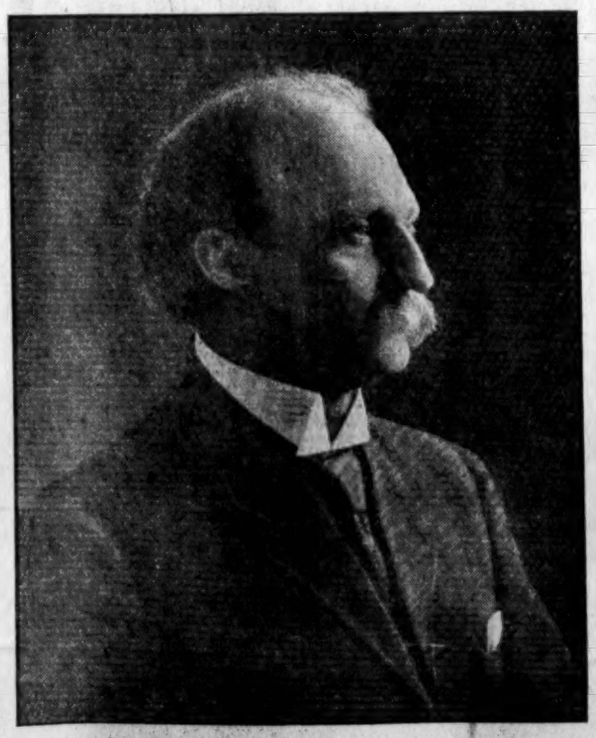
Evidence of the thrift of the Council is the fact that it enjoys the distinction of making a net gain of nearly 81 per cent. in membership during 1909 and it is the youngest Council that has been honored with a Grand Regency, the member being so honored being H. E. Bonitz, who is now serving his second term as Grand Regent. The present Deputy Grand Regent, James S. Hooper, is also a member of this Council. He is a most capable official, and is a loyal Arcanian. He is a lineal descendant of the Hon. William Hooper, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

In the nearly nine years of the existence of Carolina Council it has paid out $11,000 in death benefits. Hence we observe that several widows and orphans have received protection at a price that is a bagatelle compared with the benefits. No better illustration of the importance and usefulness of Arcanumism could be furnished.

The membership of Carolina Council always has displayed unusual interest in the Order and the Council has the proud distinction of rarely ever missing a meeting. The Council hall is on the third floor of the Bonitz building, 213 Princess street.

What you may have been calling the "good fortune in business affairs" of someone you know may be simply the courage to advertise.

Read Star Business Locals.



DR. J. HOWELL WAY.

Past Grand Regent, State Medical Examiner, and Grand Secretary, Royal Arcanum of North Carolina, Headquarters, Waynesville, N. C.

A MOST HEARTY WELCOME

Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn Extended Royal Greeting to Supreme Regent and Visitors Here For Arcanum Anniversary.

To the Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn than whom there is no more enthusiastic nor better posted Arcanum in the State, fell the happy lot of officially greeting the Supreme Regent upon the occasion of the banquet last night in he Masonic Temple. Dr. Mendelsohn's address was both cordial in welcome and informing in that he discussed matters of local interest in connection with the history of and the founding of the order in this city. His address follows:

Supreme Regent, Grand Officers and Representatives of Sister Councils:

It is to me a most pleasant duty to greet you on behalf of the local Councils, mother and daughter, and in the name of the brethren here assembled to extend to you a hearty welcome to our City by the Sea, to our homes and to our festive family board; yet I feel a tinge of sadness when I recollect the absence of the "Father of Arcanianism" in this State, our brother Nathaniel Jacobi. May his example be an incentive to us to continue his good work.

You, brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction, have come hither to assist in welcoming our distinguished and revered chief, and in celebrating the somewhat belated thirty-first anniversary of the introduction of our noble Order in North Carolina, by the organization of Cornelius Harnett Council. You come to represent sisters at the celebration of an elder sister; to you I need say only the conventional, though well meant greeting of sister to sister: We are glad to see you, and happy to have you with us now and ever.

But what about you, illustrious brother, Supreme Regent of the Royal Arcanum? We have no keys of the city to present to you. In lieu of cold metal keys, permit me to present to you the personnel whose warm hearts beat in unison with yours and who love the Order whose destinies are in your trusty hands.

A tourist once saw a country urchin sitting on a rugged fence and deeply absorbed in a book. Moved by curiosity, he approached the reader and found that he was reading a history. "Well, bud," said he, "I see you are studying history, are you fond of history?" to which the boy readily replied in the affirmative; and there upon the tourist again asked, "Perhaps you can point out to me some historical places hereabouts?" The youthful student appeared embarrassed, but only for a moment. He soon drew himself up and, with a sense of local pride, replied, "We have no historical places around here now, but we intend to build some shortly!"

In your tour around our city, you may not have seen many historical places and pieces, but we intend to build some. Indeed, we have already begun building them. Within a few hundred yards from this spot you may have seen the foundation for a monument to a statesman whose name would adorn the pages of any history; and about a hundred yards further there stands a complete monument overlooking the grave wherein rest the remains of the patriot of Revolutionary fame whom it commemorates. Concerning that celebrated patriot, tradition relates that, in the darkest days that preceeded the dawn of the American Revolution, about the time of "the Boston Tea-party," a New England patriot came South to confer with the leaders of the Whigs. Arriving in these parts, he was received under the hospitable roof of the mansion at Hilton; but not having had previous acquaintance with each other, neither the host nor the guest ventured to advert to politics, each fearing to find in the other a Tory. But the host could not contain himself very long. He soon began to animadvert on the tyrannical course of the British parliament towards the American Colonies, and it is said that the guest was so overjoyed at finding in his host a kindred spirit that he could not refrain from embracing him. They spent several days in discussion and deliberation, and parted only after concocting the whole scheme of the American Revolution. About a century later (1872) Henry Wilson, then Vice President of the United States, speaking from the piazza of the same mansion, termed Hilton "the birthplace and cradle of American liberty," and the monument referred to commemorates the virtues and patriotism of the former owner of that mansion. The name of the New England visitor was Josiah Quincy and that of the host was Cornelius Harnett whom Quincy styled "The Samuel Adams of North Carolina."

This Supreme Regent, is history and our auspicious re-union here tonight proves the correctness of the old saying, "History repeats itself." From New England you have come South to bring us the good tidings of the spread of Fraternalism in the country, and coming to these parts, you are the honored guest of Cornelius Harnett and daughter.

Now, when our toast-master, the zealous Grand Regent of North Carolina, who would traverse Earth and Heaven, and even descend to the nether world, to make an Arcanian proselyte, has introduced you to us he had easy sailing. We all feel towards you the sentiment expressed by the French philosopher on being introduced to Francis Bacon. He compared Bacon to "the angels of whom he had heard much, but had never seen." We had all heard of you, and often. In spirit we have followed you

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GRAND REGENT BONITZ SPEAKS

Felicitous Address by Grand Regent H. E. Bonitz, of the Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, of North Carolina.

One of the principal addresses at the banquet last night in the Masonic Temple in honor of Supreme Regent Clovis H. Bowen was by Grand Regent Henry E. Bonitz, of Wilmington, largely through whose efforts the elaborate entertainment in honor of the distinguished visitor was arranged. Mr. Bonitz was very felicitous in his remarks, which were as follows:

"Brother Supreme Regent and Members of the Royal Arcanum:

"One year ago it was my privilege as well as my pleasure to assist in the welcoming of Supreme Regent Robert Van Sands to the Capital City of our State. The Arcanians in North Carolina considered it a great honor to be accorded a visit from Supreme Regent Robert VanSands, and little did we expect to be so soon again favored with a visit from another Supreme Regent, and I feel that had it not been for the good work that has been done by our Tar Heel brothers, we would hardly have been so signally honored, for no doubt our honored guest believes in the Biblical maxim, of "Rendering honor unto whom honor is due."

"As we gather here tonight it is with great pleasure that the Arcanian brothers of our State can feel that at least our endeavor to disseminate the principles of Virtue, Mercy and Charity, not only among ourselves, but among many acceptable persons whom we have induced to apply for membership is appreciated by the Supreme Regent.

"The large increase of membership during the years of 1908 and 1909 is an earnest expression of discharging with fidelity the duties assigned to us as members of the R. A.

"Brother Supreme Regent, I feel that it is incumbent upon me not only to welcome you to the City by the Sea in the Tar Heel State, but to tell you what the membership in North Carolina is doing and thus keep inviolate their sacred obligations.

"I have always considered the question of revisional rates as a closed incident and have endeavored to remain discreetly quiet on the same, because such a discussion is very much like religious and political arguments. There is always a division of opinion as to the right and justice of the new rates, as well as there is a great division of opinion with reference to which is the best religious doctrine and safest political party.

"So I trust that my hearers will pardon me for the mentioning of the period that tried the Arcanian hearts in North Carolina, which came immediately after the change in rates and continued to try the patience of the preceding Grand Regents.

"These times tried the hearts, minds and endurance of the true and energetic members of our Grand and subordinate Councils. Dissatisfaction in the subordinate Councils brought forth denunciatory resolutions which led to many a stormy session in subordinate Councils as well as unhappy incidents in our Grand Council. Oratory and eloquence waxed warm in defense of the revisional rates, religious indignation almost exhausted our judiciary in denunciation of the Supreme Council and its offices that had placed the supposed hardship on our old members. And we who believed and had faith in the revisional rates, were often denounced as traitors to the Order, but thanks to the Supreme Council, we can after more than a five years' trial of the two schedules of rates now used, feel that the Supreme Council acted with wisdom and thus brought about the perpetuity of the V. M. C.

"Like all just causes we who believed in the justice of the changed rates were met with strenuous objections but with earnest work and the persevering application of the principles of V. M. C., the membership of North Carolina are now convinced that the Royal Arcanum is safe from dissolution and the five thousand wives and children protected by our Order in the State will be sheltered from the sting of poverty by the strong arm of Arcanianism.

Brother Supreme Regent, I believe that loyalty to our Order, exists among a large majority of our brothers, and through the assistance of earnest loyal membership the State of North Carolina has kept its R. A. organization intact, maintained a spirit of loyalty in our subordinate officers which has prompted energetic efforts from the Grand officers until the spirit of Arcaniafism is a living breathing testimonial fraternal insurance showing to the nation, that the R. A. has passed the experimental stage with us and that the membership in North Carolina are becoming reconciled to the new rates which are now providing an ever increasing emergency fund that will secure adequate protection to the widows and orphans.

Brother Supreme Regent, North Carolina was inactive or at least the records so showed that we were inactive for the time being, but we were only passing through the trying ordeal that would give us strength to again carry the banner of V. M. C. to the front line of victorious battle.

The members throughout the State are imbued with the virtuous principles of our fraternal system and I feel that the days of trial and tribulation which we passed through in 1905-06 were essential to the good of our Order. Like good Presbyterian doctrine it was pre-ordained and predestined to come to pass whether it did or not.

It required the war between the States and the surrender of our Noble Lee to convince the Southland that State rights meant dissolution of the Union and that slavery was wrong.

It required the sinking of the battleship Maine, the sacrificing of the lives of its officers and seamen to free Cuba of Spanish tyranny.

The two Jewish students were cast into the fiery furnace seven times heated by order of Nebuchadnezzar and the Bayolonians; by this sacrifice was given freedom of prayer and worship.

"Likewise, I believe our Order had to pass through a civil conflict, the old rates had to be sunk from sight, the officers of the Supreme Council were charged with unfaithfulness to their trust and V. M. C. had to pass through the hot furnace of discord and discontent in order that the dross of dissatisfaction should be melted from our noble membership and the principles of the Order made pure gold, and thus be placed upon the rock of security, which has sweetened the night dreams of a quarter of a million members who with tired hands and brains and with troubled hearts had once worried themselves about its stability.

We have passed through a fiery furnace of discord and discontent and stand unharmed as a united brotherhood anxious and willing to go forth to battle and disseminate the principles that will bring protection to the home and provide a roof over the widow's head and give education to the orphan. Our garments may yet smell of the flame that burned so deeply into the hearts and minds of some of our loyal brothers yet I believe and when I say that the rank and file of our membership now believe in the justice of the new rates, I do them no injustice.

The North Carolina membership met the test and their record today proves that we were found not wanting, we were weighed in the scales of public opinion and public opinion has pronounced us full weight. Our Order has been tried at the Court of mercy and time has acquitted her of all wrong and pronounced her membership merciful, yes wonderfully charitable. Two years ago the Royal Arcanum left its old mooring and is now sailing in a calm sea of rejuvenation, and with flood tide our Order has with the assistance of its loyal membership achieved greatness that surpasses all other Grand Jurisdictions.

The year's record just ended has indeed been a successful one and what North Carolina has done is indeed a theme for this occasion. With a net percentage of gain of 7.92, which surpasses all other Grand Jurisdictions, with a subordinate Council making a net gain of 311.86 per cent. and with three other Councils making over 80 per cent. net gain in membership, is not this a record of which to be proud? The membership of North Carolina is aroused and working for the best interest of our Order. Our weak members are growing stronger in their enthusiasm and our strong members are becoming influential workers for the R. A. The Grand Council and its officers are imbued with the spirit of fraternity and the vast responsibilities of our Order while resting heavily on our shoulders, is now borne with good cheer.

Supreme Regent, we have just begun to set up and take notice in North Carolina, and you can tell all other Grand Jurisdictions that they have got to hustle to push North Carolina away from the top rung of the ladder of net percentage in gain.

Brother Supreme Regent, I have told you what we are doing in North Carolina. Now allow me to present you to the men who are doing the work. We officers of the Grand Council have planned well but without men to execute our plans, little good would have been accomplished.

It is the men behind the guns that win the battle and so it is in Royal Arcanum circles. It is the faithful who have so ably assisted me in placing North Carolina to the fore front in Arcanian achievements.

It is such men as Brother Hampton, of Spray Council, who has written more than 60 applications during the past year, such men as Brother Grimes of Davidson Council, who has more than doubled the membership of his Council, such men as Brother Mendelsohn, the earnest working secretary of Cornelius Harnett Council, such men as Brother Latta, Past Regent of Carolina Council, and the present Regent of Carolina Council, and our most energetic Deputy Grand Regent James S. Hooper, to whom is due the thanks for the great and efficient work that has been done in this State.

Supreme Regent, before you sit typical representatives of our Order in North Carolina. Old men who councilled the young men and young men who are full of vim working and striving to build up our Order.

Fellow members, it is now my pleasant duty to introduce to you the Supreme Regent of Royal Arcanum. I am sure you will all feel as I do that we are signally honored in having so important an officer of our beloved organization to pay us a visit, and I trust that when he says adieu to North Carolina he will feel that the enthusiasm by which he has been greeted on this occasion and the display of loyal devotion to our Order shown by these applications, has amply repaid him for making the trip to the old Tar Heel State.

Brothers, it is with V. M. C. pride that I now introduce to you Clovis H. Bowen, the Supreme Regent of the Royal Arcanum, who will address you after he has been welcomed by Dr. Mendelsohn.

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"FRATERNAL AND RATIONAL"

Supreme Representative S. M. Brinson Pictures Some of the Elements That Have Made the Order Successful in Nation.

Supreme Representative S. M. Brinson, of Newbern, was one of the distinguished guests invited from the State to meet the Supreme Regent of the Royal Arcanum upon the occasion of his visit here yesterday and last night and he chose to speak on "The Royal Arcanum—Fraternal and Rational." His set speech, embellished by a number of side references and pleasantries, was as follows:

In honoring the chief official of our order we pay a merited tribute to real and intrinsic worth and at the same time show a proper respect for the high office which he so acceptably fills.

Our Order's claim upon the allegiance of its members and its assurance of permanence may be safely based upon two underlying principles which find constant expression in the Supreme Council, viz:

(1) No promotion in the official family until fitness is proven.

(2) No change of law until experience or thorough and intelligent examination has approved it.

The arts of the politician and the specious plea of the demagogue find no encouragement in the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum.

The veiled effort to divert the Order from its primal mission and harness it to the schemes and ambitions of any man or set of men is always clearly seen and defeated.

Devoted and unselfish and intelligent labors make the Supreme Council a body worthy of our admiration, and its final actions worthy of our respect and loyal support.

Our honore Supreme Regent comes to us as the chosen head of this great brotherhood and it is meet that we should render to him that measure of honor and respect, which his high character and ability and his distinguished office entitle him to.

My Brothers, I fear we haven't yet an adequate conception of the splendid moral and physical proportions of our great brotherhood.

Coming—as it does—to us the highest and best yet attained in the evolution of fraternal insurance organizations, it should commend itself to him whose practical bent enquires into the financial soundness of its system, and to him whose interest centers about the purely fraternal sentiment.

A close study of the history of fraternal societies the past fifty years shows a wonderful development of this system of fraternal insurance.

The crude systems of the early days took a narrow view of fraternal obligation and their certain end emphasized the need of combining sentiment with business.

Sentiment which expends itself in soft and tender phrases and cordial handclasp and professed devotion to some beautiful motto may be pleasing to the ear, but unless that sentiment has some practical way of expressing itself, the hungry and needy widow and orphan will find little comfort in it.

Our Order combines in happy proportion the principles of true fraternity and sound business—combines in such fashion as to give the best practical demonstration of a wise and rational fraternity.

This Order, with its more than a quarter of a million members banded in a cause which must appeal to all, who have a touch of human sympathy, has taught and is teaching in emphatic way that the care and protection of those bereft of a natural protector is a mission of Divine direction and should be conducted upon an honest basis and with all idea of speculation and investment eliminated.

The Royal Arcanum is demonstrating every day how business and fraternity may be so combined as to smooth the rough surface of a cold and passionless business proposition, and add to fraternity something more substantial than honied words and tender phrases.

If I have read aright the history of our Order and rightly interpret its spirit and its aim, it seeks to provide safe and permanent insurance to its members at practically the cost of same.

This is the spirit of real brotherhood.

This is a fraternity upon a rational basis. This sort of benevolent enterprise will last and multiply its benefits because it couples safe business methods with its fraternal spirit and benevolent motive.

I have no fear for the future of the Royal Arcanum. Wise and devoted men have piloted it through the troubled waters of the past.

Men of experience and sound judgment are now at the helm while the more staunchly constructed craft rides upon a smoother sea and with a safer chart to guide them.

The Royal Arcanum has passed through the furnace seven times heated and now, with its system fashioned after the safest plan, and with a clearer understanding of its mission in the land, can confidently challenge the future.

It is builded securely upon an enduring foundation. It is responding to a call of humanity. It is answering an economic demand. It is helping to raise the moral level of the race.

It is doing all this and will do all this because in its conception of its mission, Love and Reason are wedded great underlying principle is virtue, mercy and charity, and the greatest of these is charity.

From time immemorial the cry, "Am I my brother's keeper?" has been echoed and re-echoed. It has been insistent and it has refused to down at the bidding of those who would live for themselves and the present only. It gains in force as the world rolls on. It is pressing for solution more earnestly today than ever before.

The history of the average man abounds in regrets for opportunities lost and for duties unperformed. Were we all to perform our share in the world's work, the future would be fraught with nothing but happiness and glorious promise. We, however, pursue a narrow and temporizing course and for this reason notes of warning and admonition of duty are necessary to arouse in us that latent spirit which has as its central purpose the doing of the right thing at the right time.

The person who makes it his or her aim to be cheerful and optimistic, not only concerning the big things of life, but in regard to the daily trivial disappointments and discouragements, is not only brightening and enlarging his own life, but can be and is a wonderful incentive towards cheerfulness in his associates.

Sorrow is only passing; happiness is our right. So let us cultivate the sight to see the sun forever coming through the swiftly passing clouds.

"If you should see a fellow man with
trouble flag unfurled
And lookin' like he didn't have a friend
in all the world,
Go up and slap him on the back, and
holler, 'Howdy do',
And grasp his hand so warm he'll
know he has a friend in you.
Then ax him what's a hurtin' him, an'
laugh his cares away,
And tell him that the darkest night is
just before the day.
Don't talk in grave-yard palaver, but
say it right out loud
That God will sprinkle sunshine in
the trail of every cloud."

The fraternal proposition itself is one which will be of material assistance in developing and rounding out the one who thinks over the merits of that in which he is engaged. It stands for a higher and better order of things It cuts into the social life of all connected with it. It is interwoven with those lofty ideals and standards which have as their central purpose the emancipation of people at large, from the uncertainty as to the future, and what it may have in store.

The Royal Arcanum is a fraternal and benevolent organization, based on strict sound and economic plan, giving insurance and protection to your loved ones, at as reasonable a figure as can be considered a safe protection.

An emergency fund of about $6,000,000—and increasing on an average of about three-fourths of a million per year—is a sure proof and guarantee that the rates are fixed and adequate to meet any and all obligations that may accrue.

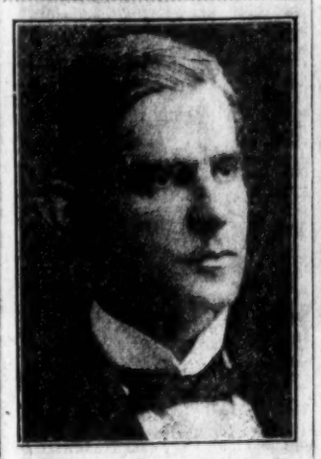
A friend of mine was telling me of an experience he had as a traveling salesman, for one of the largest manufacturing concerns in the United States. All of the salesmen were assembled in the main office on Wall street, and the question was asked:

"What is the best mode of advertising?"

After various replies, a rather country looking fellow from eastern North Carolina, who had made a most excellent salesman, replied: "The goods on the shelf."

Brothers, the best advertisement the Royal Arcanum can have, is for every brother to invite some friend to join the Royal Arcanum, showing him what it will cost, and secure his application and protect those who are dear to him. Now is the opportune moment. Will you do it now? Will you "deliver the goods" by getting your friends to join?

"If I should see a brother laguishing
in sore distress,
And I should turn and leave him comfortless,
When I might be,
A messenger of hope and happiness—
If I might sing
A little song to cheer a fainting heart,
If I should seal my lips and sit apart,
When I might bring
A bit of sunshine for life's ache and
smart."



MR. SAMUEL M. BRINSON.

Past Grand Regent and Supreme Representative, Member of Trent Council 411, Newbern, North Carolina.

ADDRESS OF JAMES S. HOOPER

Deputy Grand Regent of North Carolina Responded to "The Royal Secret" at Banquet Last Night, Royal Arcanum.

The phenomenal growth of Arcanum in North Carolina during the past year has been due to no one more than Deputy Grand Regent Jas. S. Hooper, of Wilmington, who has been an able secong of the Grand Regent in the work of "evangelizing" the State upon the important question of protection for the home and fireside. He spoke last night at the banquet in honor of the Supreme Regent and he was most enthusiastically received. His subject was "The Royal Secret" and he said:

Brothers:—You have borne the test. You have been taught concerning the burdens and responsibilities which our Order bravely and mercifully carries, and which we must help to bear. Its

JAMES S. HOOPER.

Past Regent of Carolina Council 1874 and Deputy Grand Regent of North Carolina.

THE ANNIVERSARY.

Thirty-First Year of Successful Operation of Order in State.

The 9th of January last was the thirty-first anniversary of the introduction of the Royal Arcanum into North Carolina. There has been no formal celebration of that event, so fraught with importance to thousands of North Carolinians, but yesterday it was signalized by an official visit from the distinguished head of the Order in the United States and Canada—the Supreme Regent, the Hon. Clovis H. Bowen, of Pawtuckett, R. I. The features of the visit of that exalted Arcanian are more fully referred to elsewhere in the Star, and it is only necessary to revert here to the fact that the coming of the Supreme Regent to the State strengthens interest in the great Order and affords opportunity for some historical allusion to the progress of this great beneficial fraternity within the borders of North Carolina.

The Royal Arcanum had its inception in North Carolina with the organization of Cornelius Harnett Council, No. 231, on the 9th of January, 1879. After several other Councils had been instituted, they formed the Grand Council of North Carolina, which was instituted May 27th, 1890, with the following charter members: Nathaniel Jacobi, Joshua G. Wright, Thomas P. Johnson, J. L. Brown, John A. Ramsay, William G. Brinson, Edward Zoeller, Dr. William H. H. Cobb, John H. Hill, P. C. Carlton, J. H. Hoffman, W. T. Tucker, W. E. Asbury, John Ward, W. B. Hutchings, A. M. Powell, C. W. Lambert, H. B. Adams, George W. Blount, Thomas W. Branch, John R. Erwin, Alex J. James, Thomas J. Gill and Henry C. Dockery. Of the above number only 12 are living.

The Grand Council now governs a Jurisdiction embracing 45 subordinate Councils with 3,200 members. The present officers of the Grand Council are as follows:

Officers 1909-10.

Henry E. Bonitz, G. R., Wilmington.
F. W. Hancock, G. V. R., Orford.
J. M. Norwood, G. O., Raleigh.
J. Howell Way, G. Sec'y., Waynesville.
E. L. Harriss, G. Treas., Raleigh.
Rev. John E. Wool, G. Chap., Cornelius.
W. P. Wootten, G .G., Wilson.
W. S. Floyd, G. W., Reidsville.
John Machin, G. S., Asheville.
A. J. Evans, G. Trus., Statesville.
T. W. Slocumb, G. Trus., Goldsboro.
F. M. Briggs, G. Trus., Durham.
J. F. Tesh, F. M., Reidsville.
V. E. Weyher, F. Com., Kinston.
C. A. Johnson, F. Com., Raleigh.
H. C. Dockery, S. Rep., Rockingham.
D. M. Miller, Alt. P. G. R., Salisbury.
S. M. Brinson, S. Rep., Newbern.
E. L. Harriss, Alt., Raleigh.
Dr. J. Howell Way, S. M. Ex., Waynesville.

ROBERT G. RANKIN, JR.

Treasurer of Carolina Council 1874 and Member of Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent.

HOW TO CURE RHEUMATISM.

It is an Internal Disease and Requires an Internal Remedy.

The cause of rheumatism and kindred diseases is an excess of uric acid in the blood. To cure this terrible disease this acid must be expelled and the system so regulated that no more acid will be formed in excessive quantities. Rheumatism is an internal disease and requires an internal remedy. Rubbing with oils and liniments will not cure, affords only temporary relief at best, and allows the malady to get a firmer hold on you. Liniments may ease the pain, but they will no more cure rheumatism than paint will change the fibre of rotten wood.

Science has at last discovered a perfect and complete cure, which is called "Rheumacide." Tested in hundreds of cases, it has effected the most marvelous cures; we believe it will cure you. Rheumacide "gets at the joints from the inside," sweeps the poisons out of the system, tones up the system, regulates the liver and kidneys and makes you feel well all over. Rheumacide "strikes the root of the disease and removes its cause." This splendid remedy is sold by druggists and dealers generally at 50c and $1 a bottle. In Tablet form at 25c and 50c a package. Get a bottle today. Booklet free if you write to Bobbitt Chemical Co. Baltimore, Md.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

The undersigned, having qualified as the executor of the last will and testament of Amelia Ann Guthrie, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of my testatrix to present the same to me, duly verified, on or before the 18th day of January, 1911, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

JESSE O. PRICE, Executor.
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AN EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Royal Arcanum Offers Opportunity to Sons and Daughters of Members to Take College Course—How Plan Operates.

The Royal Arcanum stands for more than insurance. It believes in encouraging higher education as an incentive for its membership, a policy which is well calculated to secure new members throughout the country. In order to promote the plans for securing new members, the Supreme Regent has introduced a new and novel membership getting plan by offering free scholarships and college courses to the daughters and sons of Arcanumites.

The following are the official announcements concerning this admirable stroke of policy:

New and Novel Membership Getting Plan.

The Executive Committee of the Supreme Council have decided to conduct a unique and grand membership getting contest, in which every member of the Order in the United States and Canada, through the Subordinate Councils, may participate.

The three grand awards which will be made to three Subordinate Councils, under conditions of the contest, will be respectively a Full Three Years' Scholarship, including books, etc., a Two Years' Scholarship, including books, etc., and a One Year Scholarship, including books, etc., in any one of the leading American Universities.

There will be thirty other similar awards, all of the awards being scholarships in schools, colleges or universities.

Details of the contest have been so arranged that the smaller Councils will have a fair chance with the larger Councils to win one or more of these awards.

Terms of the contest and full description of the awards will be furnished shortly by the Secretary of each Council, and additional copies of circulars covering the plan will be furnished him, which he may distribute among the members at regular meetings.

Each of the three Grand Awards, aside from their monetary value, which is considerable, will carry an honor which no Arcanian Council could fail to appreciate.

This contest, unequalled in the annals of fraternalism, will last seven months, or from October 1st, 1909, to April 30th, 1910.

So commendable is the plan that it will undoubtedly create the biggest stir in Arcanian circles which has been occasioned in recent years and result in a tremendous increase in membership.

Think it over—talk of it to your friends—and get application blanks.

Be ready for action October 1st.

Per order of the Executive Committee.

ALFRED T. TURNER,
Sup. Sec'y and Clerk of Ex. Com.

Further and Revised Information as to Details.

Since the announcement of the September Bulletin as to percentages which will govern in the award of prizes, the Executive Committee has given the matter further consideration, and Councils are now advised that the following regulations and percentages will govern the contest:

1. The Subordinate Council securing the greatest number of reinstatements and new members during the period shall win the First Grand Award, it being understood, however, that the number of reinstatements and new members shall not be less than one hundred.

2. The Subordinate Council making the greatest percentage of increase in reinstatements and new members during the period shall win the Second Grand Award, it being understood, however, that in order to compete for this Award the following schedule must be observed:

(a) Councils having a membership of less than 50 must make a less a 25 per cent. increase.

(b) Councils having a membership of 50 and less than 100 must make at least a 20 per cent. increase.

(c) Councils having a membership of 100 and less than 200 must make at least an 18 per cent increase.

(d) Councils having a membership of 200 and less than 300 must make at least a 16 per cent. increase.

(e) Councils having a membership of 300 and less than 040 must make at least a 15 per cent. increase.

(f) Councils having a membership of 400 and less than 500 must make at least a 14 per cent. increase.

(g) Councils having a membership of 500 and less than 600 must make at least a 13 per cent. increase.

(h) Councils having a membership of 600 and less than 700 must make at least a 12 per cent increase.

(i) Councils having a membership of 700 and less than 800 must make at least an 11 per cent. increase.

(j) Councils having a membership of 800 and less than 900 must make at least a 10 per cent. increase.

(k) Councils having a membership of 900 and less than 1,000 must make at least a 9 per cent. increase.

(l) Councils having a membership of more than 1,000 must make at least an 8 per cent. increase.

3. The Subordinate Council making the second greatest percentage of increase in reinstatements and new members, during the period, shall win the Third Grand Award, same conditions to apply as on the Second Grand Award.

4. The Subordinate Council making the greatest percentage of increase in reinstatements and new members, for its State or Province, during the period, shall win the award for its State or Province, same conditions to apply as on the Second and Third Grand Awards as to percentage of increase.

5. It is provided that no Subordinate Council shall win more than one Award.

It should be understood that the successful candidate must pass the usual necessary entrance examination required at all institutions, and if the candidate selected fails to qualify, then another candidate may be selected by the winning Council.

Per order Executive Committee.

ALFRED T. TURNER.

Offer of Prize Banners.

That a vigorous campaign is to be made for new members is further attested by the official announcement of the Supreme Regent, Clovis H. Bowen, that prize banners are offered to subordinate Councils for membership increases. The following is the announcement.

Special Official Circular No. 412.

To the Officers and Members of All Subordinate Councils:—

In conformity with a resolution of the Supreme Council and by vote of the Executive Committee acting thereunder, I hereby announce that two banners, suitably inscribed, and of a value of $50 each, will be awarded by the Supreme Council:

1st. to the Council making the largest numerical gain;

2nd. to the Council making the largest net gain for the period covering from June 1, 1909, to and including March 31, 1910.

In the award of these prizes due consideration will be given to the manner and method of gain.

The banners presented to the successful Councils last year were of such beauty of design and execution as to excite universal expressions of favor and approval. To possess such banners should be the laudable ambition of every Council and should prove an added incentive to energetic and effective work.

Sincerely yours in V. M. C.,
CLOVIS H. BOWEN,
Supreme Regent.

July 31, 1909.

NORTH CAROLINA LEADS

Percentage of Gain in Arcanum Membership Ahead of All Jurisdictions—Order Flourishing Thoroughly.

The Royal Arcanum flourished in the United States and Canada during 1909, as a result of the membership contest inaugurated in 1908. The contest has added thousands to the membership of the fraternity, and in no State has the fraternity been more flourishing than in North Carolina.

In fact, North Carolina is at the head of the Arcanum procession, so far as percentage of increase in membership goes. North Carolina leads all the States in the percentage of gain, while Council No. 2024, at Spray, N. C., made the largest percentage of gain among all the Councils of the Order in the United States and Canada during 1909.

Spray Council began the year with 17 members and closed it with 70—an increase of 53, and a percentage of 311.76. Since January 1st, the Spray Council has added 30 more members to the above.

The other Councils in North Carolina which made a notable increase are:

Davidson, No. 1361, of Thomasville, with a gain of 45 and a percentage of 109.

Carolina, No. 1874, of Wilmington, with a gain of 42 and a percentage of 80.77.

Zeb Vance, No. 1696, of Greenville, with a gain of 14, and a percentage of 93.33.

The total percentage of increases among all the Councils of North Carolina was 7.92, which places the State at the head of the list. The Grand Jurisdictions making the most notable gains were as follows:

North Carolina	7.92
Colorado	7.40
Quebec	7.15
Washington	6.35
Kentucky	5.61
Rhode Island	3.55
Illinois	3.09

The above statistics are official and came to Grand Regent Bonitz from Supreme Secretary Alfred F. Turner in a letter dated at headquarters in Boston, February 7, 1910.

The Grand Regent and the Grand Jurisdiction of North Carolina are to be congratulated upon this fine showing. It indicates that Arcanism in North Carolina is alive and is a militant force in the Supreme Council.

The total membership of the Royal Arcanum is 244,900. North Carolina has 3,200 members and of these there are 275 in Wilmington. There are now 45 Councils in North Carolina.

The able and capable management of the Royal Arcanum in the United States, conducted upon plans which have proved eminently successful, has placed the Order in the highest rank among America's benefit associations. Its benefit features appeal to the heads of families and its eminent success has established for it universal confidence and approval. This accounts for the substantial, steady and marvelous growth of the order, and the better its strong features become known the greater becomes its efficiency to give protection and dispense its benefits.

The Royal Arcanum in the United States constantly gathers strength and it is most worthy of note that during 1909 the Emergency fund has made a net gain of more than $800,000.

The funds are invested in 3 to 6 per cent. State, municipal and railroad bonds of approved character. The Emergency fund has increased at an average of $800,000 a year during the past five years, and yearly it becomes a tower of strength. The cash on hand to meet losses is over $1,000,000 which is deposited in various banks throughout the United States. North Carolina is honored by having one of its banks designated as a depository by the present Supreme Treasurer, E. A. Skinner, of Westfield, N. Y. This depository is the American National Bank of Wilmington, which became an Arcanum depository through the influence of Grand Regent Bonitz.

The messages from the merchants are always interesting—and usually affect the "state of your purse."

Georgia's State Chemist Praises Cottolene.

Mr. J. H. McCandless, State Chemist of Georgia, before a recent gathering gave emphatic testimony to the high quality of Cottolene. He said:

"The sale of this product, and the proclamation that it is made from cotton seed oil, have done more to bring cotton seed oil truthfully and favorably before the public than anything else in recent history."

Mr. McCandless then pointed out why a pure refined vegetable oil base, such as is used in Cottolene, is the only assurance a woman has of a clean, digestible cooking product.

THE ROYAL ARCANUM

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"You go into these societies to seek your own good through the good of others. Friendly societies have become so imortant and telling a feature in the Constitution of English Society in its broadest and most fundamental part, that any account of this nation, of this people to whom we rejoice to belong, would deserve no attention as a really comprehensive account if it excluded the element of such societies."

As most of the secret beneficial Orders of America, having profited by the experience of centuries, are founded on a far more scientific and safe foundation, there can be no doubt that they can also endure for long centuries to come, and that the millions of present membership will increase to tens of millions ,that they will go forward fulfilling their missions and teaching all people the great lesson of helping themselves best by helping others most.

These institutions are purely benevolent. They are infused with the heart and soul of thousands of generous men. They have never wronged a human being. Their mission is to console and relieve.

Social Features.

The Royal Arcanum is a social as well as a thorough business association. At each meeting, after the routine of business has been transacted, a portion of the time is profitably used in deates, reading of papers upon topics of general interest, music, etc. These meetings are at frequent intervals supplemented by select popular entertainments, in some of which the lady friends are the entertained and entertainers.

Certificates.

No more accumulation is contemplated than is absolutely necessary to meet all present and future claims.

Benefit Certificates are issued to new members for $1,000, $2,000 or $3,000, as the member designates. This amount cannot be reduced without the consent of the member, who also agrees to pay the dues and assessments prescribed by the Supreme Council. Each member retains the right to voluntary sever his connection with the Order (by suspension or final withdrawal) and relieve himself of further liability.

Beneficiaries may be a member's wife, affianced wife, blood relative, child or parent by legal adoption, or a dependent. Proof of affianced or dependent relation is required in the form of affidavit by the member.

A member can change his beneficiary without the consent of such beneficiary.

A Fraternity.

The Royal Arcanum was founded, has prospered and is maintained by the combination of fraternity and business. Men are joined together in fraternal union for the accomplishment of a great business purpose.

Like national liberty and union, fraternity and business are inseparable. They are inter-dependent.

The Royal Arcanum appeals to men who desires to protect their loved ones in the event of the death of the bread winner.

An average of five cents a day may secure your widow or child one thousand dollars in their time of greatest need.

The Royal Arcanum affords protection to your family at cost. No other institution, organization or company can do more.

Why You Should Join the Royal Arcanum.

It is a great brotherhood.
Its benefits are promptly paid.
The cost of management is low.
Its growth is healthy and steady.
It gives protection at actual cost.
Unhealthy districts are excluded.
Its assessment rate is fair and equitable.
Its source and origin, purpose and end, is mutual help.
You cannot afford to be without the indemnity it furnishes.
No process of law can deprive the beneficiary of its benefits.
Its past success and wise methods insure its permanency.
It carefully selects its members—physically, morally and socially.
There is no captious quibbling about payment on the death of a member.
It resorts to no doubtful experiments, but employs only tried and safe methods.
It is economically conducted, and its management is entirely in the hands of the members.
It permits of "open meetings," "socials" and "entertainments," which your families may attend.
If not amply provided ofr, you are inexcusable if you fail to avail yourself of its benefits and privileges.
You owe to yourself and to society that your dependents be placed beyond the reach of want in case of your death.
It teaches lessons of Charity and Fraternity which may be applied every day, and which, when heeded, make its members more valuable citizens and better men in all the relations of life.

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THE OLDEST ARCANIAN.

Mr. R. J. Jones Joined First Council in 1879.

The oldest and one of the most highly esteemed Arcanians in Wilmington is the venerable Mr. R. J. Jones who recently celebrated the 88th year of his age. He was one of the charter members of Cornelius Harnett Council when it was organized January 9th, 1879. On February 6th, 1879, about a month after the institution of the Council, he received the cerificate for a benefit for $3,000 and during his membership of thirty-one years he has paid out $2,395.58 in dues and assessments. He is a most loyal Arcanian and gleefully declares that he hopes to live long enough to pay in the entire amount of his certificate of $3,000.

Mr. Jones is still a vigorous man and his host of friends hope his desire in this particular will be fully realized. For more than fifty years he has been prominently identified with the business life of Wilmington, and on Friday, in spite of a torrential rain which flooded the streets all day and caused the youngest to dread to venture forth, Mr. Jones was down town at his business desk rounding out the routine of his daily work.

Mr. Jones was born February 5th, 1822, on Myrtle Grove Sound, but when he was 6 or 8 years of age his father removed to town with his family, so our oldest Arcanian has been a Wilmingtonian practically all his life. Since early manhood he has been conspicuous in the business life of the city. He is at present and for 43 years past has been secretary and treasurer of Oakdale Cemetery Company, and for 41 years has filled the office of treasurer of the Wilmington Gaslight Company, continuing in that position today with the Tidewater Power Company which is the successor of the original company. Speaking about "Bad-lucky" days and numbers, Mr. Jones can not repress a chuckle when he refers to the fact that he was elected to that position on Friday, November 13th, 1869, and rounded out the 40th year of his term on Friday, November 12th, 1909.

Always business like and methodical, Mr. Jones has held his prominent positions so long because of his fidelity to duty and for the reason that what he does he does well. In the other walks of life it is the same as in business. For more than 50 years he has been grand treasurer of the North Carolina Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., and previous to his election to that office he had served as Grand Master. For 67 years he has been a member of Cape Fear Lodge, I. O. O. F., and he has also been a life member of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Royal Arch Masons.

No history of North Carolina Arcanianism would be complete without reference to the lamented late Nathaniel Jacobi, the father of Arcanianism. This 31st anniversary celebration of the founding of the Order in North Carolina, brings up hallowed memories of this good man and his many splendid deeds and gracious affiliations. At this time his memory is specially recalled because Mr. Jacobi introduced the Royal Arcanum into North Carolina. In 1878, a few months after the Order had been founded in Boston, Mr. Jacobi having learned of the Order and its purposes while on a business trip North, decided to organize a Council on hes return to Wilmington, but with the understanding that the Supreme Council constitution should be so amended as to admit only white men to membership. That change accordingly was made at the next session of the Supreme Council, so Mr. Jacobi even left his mark on the Supreme Council

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LAW FOR GOOD OF THE ORDER

Address by Fred W. Bonitz, Esq., at Banquet in Honor of Supreme Regent, Royal Arcanum. Happy Response.

One of the happiest of the several responses last night at the banquet in honor of Supreme Regent Clovis H. Bowen, of the Supreme Ruling, Royal Arcanum in the United States, was by Fred W. Bonitz, Esq., of the Wilmington bar. Mr. Bonitz responded to the toast "Expounding the Law for the Good of the Order," and he said:

Mr. Toastmaster, Supreme Regent, and Members of the Royal Arcanum:

To me has fallen the pleasant duty of expounding the law of our order to the neophytes here assembled.

It has been said that the young lawyer is a necessity and like necessity he knows no law.

While I do not admit that this statement is wholly true, I do know from personal experience that during the first few years of his practice the young lawyer has but little use for the knowledge that he may possess, and during these years he practices more economy than law.

Though I have often spoken before petit juries, this is the first time I have had the pleasure to address a

FRED W. BONITZ, Esq.

Regent of Carolina Council 1874 and Member of Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent.

grand jury, for I believe that when a man becomes a member of the Royal Arcanum he has shown that he is possessed of sufficient common sense and judgment to be entitled to exemption from ordinary jury duty, so I therefore address you as a body of men selected from your community because of your especial fitness, and to honor this occasion with your presence.

Therefore, you all being constituted a grand jury, I will take upon myself the duties of the judge, this time if never again, and will proceed to lecture you on your duties to your fraternal mother, the Royal Arcanum.

First; You being her adopted children you owe to her your allegiance, you must honor her, and give to the advancement of her interests a certain amount of your time and talents.

Second; She having your welfare at heart, agrees to protect your loved ones when you are no longer able to protect them yourself, and to shelter them from the angry buffetings of the winds of adversity.

Hence there is a reciprocal relation existing, so do not think you have done your full part by your attendance here tonight, and by your gastronomic performance, but go forth from here determined to secure the application of some unconverted soul and bring him from the stygian darkness in which he now doth wander, into the light of the new-born day whose golden effulgence encircles so many of the homes of our city by the sea.

There is not a man here tonight who does not know of some friend who entered into rest during the year just past, and who, when upon this revolving sphere saw that the Royal Arcanum was good, yea, passing good, and who knowing that all things upon this earth must pass away, provided that his loved ones should be sheltered by the protecting arm of our noble order.

When I see, even in our small community, the good that the Royal Arcanum has done I feel like that colored brother that our ex-Governor Robert Glenn delights in telling about.

The parson at a camp meeting was calling upon the different brothers for their views regarding life and first he called upon Deacon Jackson for his view.

The deacon was fat and well kept, for his wife was a good washer-woman and his neighbors were careless with their chickens, so he arose and folding his hands in a pious attitude, he said: "Parson, the world is full of sunshine and joy, dere ain't no sin and I sho' is glad that I'm alive." "I see", said the parson, "that you are an optimist." "now let's hear from Brudder Smith." Old man Smith arose. He had lost one eye at a "festibul", was lean and hungry looking, and had the rheumatism in his back. "Parson," he said, "I see a cloud in de sky, de worl' am full of sin and misery and life ain't wuff the livin'." "I see that, you are a pessimist," said the parson. "Now let's hear from Brudder Moses."

Brudder Moses he riz, he did, en he say, "Parson, the little simmons is growin' on the simmon trees, de little 'possums is gwinter eat dey bait of dem little 'simmons and my, but dem 'possums is gwinter grow fat and juicy. Den long erbout de fust part of de Fall I'se gwinter take my hound dog and cotch one of them 'possums an my ole 'oman will stuff dat 'possum wid 'taters, (not pertaters but jes plain 'taters) and she'll make some gravy and souse that 'possum in it, and I'se gwinter eat of dat 'possum till dere ain't nary wrinkle in my stomach. Parson, I ain't no optimist, and I ain't no pessimist, but I sho' is a possomist."

So being a possomist I won't harangue you with a lecture on your duties, but will just ramble along with my talk.

The first law of nature is self-preservation, but to my mind there is a higher and grander law; and that is the God-given instinct in man that makes him endeavor to protect those dear to him, that makes him in the calmer moments of life look ahead and provide his loved ones against that dread hour when the soul doth take its flight to the undiscovered country.

This law is too sacred to be written, it can only be kept in the sanctuary of the human heart, but when you join the Royal Arcanum you show that the seed of this law is bursting into flower, that the well springs of charity have not dried up in your heart, and that love is still the king of your universe.

Man is a gregarious animal and it is not well for him to live a solitary life, it is better for him and he reaches his highest development when he forms a society for his protection and advancement, when he evolves a system of supplying the needs of his family after they are deprived of his support. So fraternalism has arisen.

Religion feeds the hunger of the soul, but true fraternalism feeds the hunger of the body.

Fraternalism is nothing but common sense religion, nothing but Christianity run on business principles without dogmatism or hysterics.

Fraternal insurance was but the outgrowth of business sagacity applied to religion, and when Joseph filled the storehouses of the Egyptians during the years of plenty so as to provide against the years of famine he became the father of fraternal insurance.

Pessimists and cynics may sneer at fraternalism joined with business, but I believe that fraternal insurance is the mightiest step in the onward march of humanity toward the brotherhood of man.

There is always someone ready to sneer at any departure from the beaten path, consequently the Royal Arcanum like all ordere of its kind has had some pessimists within its mystic circle, and some traducers outside the balmy sunshine of its influence.

But being a "possomist" free from the Judas kiss of indigestion, (from which caress I hope you all will be delivered) I know that none of you that have delved into the mysteries set before you tonight, will ever do aught to bring discredit upon our order and that you will go forth from this room with the fires of fraternalism burning brightly in your hearts. You all, no doubt, have heard of the darky who dreamed one night that he died, and after wandering around in a land that was overrun with possums and chickens, descended into the lower regions. Someone asked him if he saw any white folks there and he replied, "Yas boss, I sho' did and do you know every one of them white folks wus holding a nigger between hisself and de fire?"

Well, the man who does not carry insurance is holding a mighty thin protection between his family and the fires of want, but he who joins the Royal Arcanum has built an asbestos wall between his family and the fires of material need.

The face value of the wall that has been built by the men in this room is over one half million dollars.

The Royal Arcanum wants strong, noble men, men of brains and brawn and integrity, men who can look the world in the face and call it "Good". I once heard of a man who had become disgusted with life and determined to commit suicide. He went to the store and bought a rope, a gallon of kerosene, a box of matches, a dose of arsenic and a revolver. He went down to the river and got into a boat, rowed to where a limb hung over the stream and tied the rope to the limb and around his neck; saturated his clothing with kerosene, set fire to his clothing, took the dose of arsenic, put the revolver to his temple; kicked the boat from under him and pulled the trigger. But the bullet glanced and cut the rope above him, and he fell kerflop into the river; the water put the fire out and he got strangled and coughed up the arsenic. He rose and waded out and sent in his application to the Royal Arcanum.

If a man with such a charmed life wants to join our order how much more should those men who have not such a bull-dog grip on life wish to become members.

Some days ago I heard one of our prominent citizens tell the following anecdote and I hope it will bear repeating, so here goes:

An old "before the war" darky was traveling on the train and becoming sleepy he leaned back upon his seat and opening his mouth so as to have more breathing space and was soon free from earthly worries.

Some traveling man seeing the cavernous opening of the old man's mouth determined to have some fun, so one of them took two ten-grain capsules of quinine and emptied the quinine in the old man's mouth. In a few moments things began to happen; the old man opened his eyes and slowly looked around, he then smacked his lips together, and he called for the conductor. "Conductor", he cried, "plee-sir come hyer." "What's the matter uncle?" said the conductor, trying to repress a smile. "Are you sick?" "No sah, boss," said the old man, not 'zactly sick, but I sho' do feel ges like my gall sack done busted."

I can well imagine that a man who is able to take out insurance and does not do so often has the same kind of taste in his mouth that the old negro had.

You often hear it said that to die a Christian is glorious, for then you are assured of a place around the throne on high, but I believe that though you be as pure as the lily, and as spotless as a Roman vestal, and you leave your family dependent on the charity of the world, that your life has been a failure and you are undeserving of the crown. If you thoroughly imbibe the principles of the Royal Arcanum your views of life will be broadened, your range of sympathy enlarged, your aims enobled, and life enriched with the choicest blessings from the store-house of our inner shrine.

Fraternalism pours oil into the lamp of character and makes its light more radiant and lasting.

There are some who believe like the negro poet when he said:

"It's a wicked old world we are livin' in
We hear the preachers cry.
It's filled with crime and vice and sin,
Yet nobody wants to die.
The men all love their money, the women love their clothes,
But what they gwinter do on the judgment day,
The good Lord only knows.
What you gwinter do when the sinner when you die?
What you gwinter do when the bugles blow?
You've gotter leave your money,
And you've gotter leave your clothes
You've gotter leave everything here below."

The world, however, in spite of the negro poet's cynicism, is growing better and man is steadily advancing toward that idylic state of society when all men will be joined together in one mighty fraternity called the "Brotherhood of Man."

"I dreamed I saw two souls set forth,
Both bearing heavy loads,
Their looks were bent on Heaven's ascent
Yet each took different roads.

The one chanced on a well-worn path,
Which saints had trod before,
And running straight, soon reached the gate
Of rest forever more.

The other—God knows why he found
No path so sanctified,
But blundered on from dawn to dawn
Till all the world had died.

For many a tempting turn he took
To be betrayed by sin;
How oft he fell, he will not tell,
Yet always hoped to win.

And when the tired world's toils were o'er
And all the seasons passed,
Faint, sick and sore, he reached Heaven's door
And crept in—least and last!

And there were some who wondered why
The Master spake no blame—
They did not hear His whispered words
'I know the way you came'."

The Master knows the road that each of us is traveling and if we bear our burdens manfully, we too will reach the promised goal. So here's to the health, progress, success and welfare of the Royal Arcanum in The Old North State, blessed with loyal men. Hence for all ages may she endure.

ACCIDENT PROTECTION.

Arcanumites Have Association to Protect Them While Traveling.

In addition to the other benefits of the Royal Arcanum, it embraces a Mutual Accident Association for Royal Arcanum members only.

Robert VanSands, Past Supreme Regent, of Chicago, is secretary and treasurer of the association. It issues accident policies for $1,000 to $5,000 with $25 weekly indemnities, and double death benefits accruing to members killed while riding as a passenger in a passenger coach of a passenger train. These policies will be issued to Arcanumites at a cost not exceeding $12 a year for a $5,000 policy. This is a wise provision and it is not necessary to predict that it will be a popular and widely patronized feature of the Royal Arcanum.

The Arcanum Accident Association was incorporated under the laws of Illinois with more than 700 charter applicants. The management consists of a president, a vice president, a secretary and treasurer and a board of directors. The principal officers are as follows:

President—Frank T. Peterson, Garden City Council, R. A.; President the F. T. Peterson Co.

Vice President—John Kiley, Grand Grand Secretary R. A., of Illinois.

Secretary and Treasurer—Robert VanSands, Past Supreme Regent, R. A., attorney.

The association aims to furnish accident insurance at actual cost for Royal Arcanum members. The benefits to full amount, Class A. members, with $25 weekly indemnity for 110 weeks, will be as follows:

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$5,000 accidental loss of both eyes.
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$3,750, accidental loss of one arm by actual separation at or above elbow.
$2,500, accidental loss of one entire hand or one entire foot.
$1,250, accidental loss of one eye.
$10,000, (double death benefit) if accidentally killed while riding as a passenger in a passenger car on a passenger train propelled by steam.

Proportinate benefits to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th amount Class A members.

All subordinate Councils are in possession of particulars concerning this feature of protection for Arcanumites.

ARCANUM HIGHLY ENDORSED.

Letter From the Vice President of the United States.

The following appeared in a recent issue of "The Arcanumite," the official organ of Star Council No. 89, of Detroit, Mich., and in view of the active interest taken in the order by our Brother Vice President, his words are always welcome to the membership:

Star Council, No. 89, of Detroit, is to be congratulated upon the possession of such a bright and well printed little paper as "The Arcanumite." It speaks not only for itself and the Council, but for the enterprise and interest of the officers and members of that organization. It certainly will find a field beneficial, not only to the Order locally, but at large. I am always proud of my association with the Royal Arcanum, not alone for the financial protection which it assures my family, but because it has a social side which is most attractive One feels protected, it is true, in the old line insurance companies, but such insurance is carried on in the lines of business, with never a greeting except from the agent when the premium is coming due, and that greeting is much like the bill from your grocer or haberdasher. The Royal Arcanum is one of your home institutions. You know and greet its members with a feeling of brotherhood. You are invited to its social functions, you are part and parcel of its management of its own affairs; the Regent is of your making, as well as are the other officers. The colector even takes it to heart if you fail to remit for your assessment within the proper time, and calls your attention to the fact in a way which brings with it your thanks for his attention and a mental castigation of yourself for your forgetfulness. In fact, the Council is your Council, and not some far-off institution which pays its debts as a matter of fact without sympathy or without feeling. With the Royal Arcanum, sympathy, real, sincere sympathy, and assistance go hand in hand. No one makes a mistake in joining the Arcanum. He makes no mistake in carrying on that membership to the end. He is not only building for the future, but is gaining in the present in companionship, good fellowship and cementing friendships which count for much in the enjoyments of this life.

J. S. SHERMAN.

A MOST HEARTY WELCOME

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for years through the committee rooms and official stations of the Supreme Council to your present exalted position. Your unabated efforts on behalf of humanity, on behalf of the widows and the orphans, through the Royal Arcanum, have often come to our ears, and profoundly touched our hearts. We then longed for a sight of you, and our Grand Regent has pointed you out to us and thereby gladdened our hearts.

Permit me now to introduce to you those who are happy in having you for their honored guest. For, after all, like that patriotic New Englander of 137 years ago, you are unacquainted with the sentiments of your hosts: let me then assure you that you are among staunch friends. As your predecessor from New England found a kindred spirit in Cornelius Harnett, as do you have before you an assembly of kindred spirits; and as Cornelius Harnett was ever loyal to the cause of the Revolution championed by your predecessor, so are these loyal to the cause of Fraternalism championed by you.

The first born Council in this Grand Jurisdiction was named after that great champion of a noble cause, Cornelius Harnett, and like him who became its eponym, it champions the cause of Virtue, Mercy and Charity that noble and infrangible triple cord uniting the hundreds of thousands of Arcanians the continent over; and as he strove to establish human rights, so are his namesakes striving to secure independence for their widows and orphans through the Royal Arcanum. And if Cornelius Harnett Council is not as active in proselytising now as it was in the days of its youth, it is not owing to waning fidelity to our common cause; but to the infirmities of old age. But even against this foreseen eventuality Cornelius Harnett Council has made some provision. It had hardly reached maturity, when it conceived and bore a daughter. As it took the name of the champion of humanity's cause, the daughter took the name of the State whose great son that champion was—Carolina. This daughter—look at her. She is not yet nine years old and is already as big as her mother. She is also one of the three Councils in this Jurisdiction that have made the largest percentage of gain in membership during last year. Cornelius Harnett Council loves all her sister Councils, but is proud of her own off spring, Carolina Council. Of her we say, as of the dear Old North State:

"Carolina, Carolina, Heaven's blessings attend her;
"While we live we will cherish, protect and defend her."

Through these two Councils, mother and daughter, upwards of 3,000 Arcanians in this State welcome you. I have stated, we have no keys of the city to present you; but there is no need for them, as Arcanians we believe in the open door; and the doors of our homes and our hearts are open to you—you are welcome!

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FIRST COUNCIL ORGANIZED

Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231, Instituted January 9, 1879—Late Mr. N. Jacobi Father of Arcananism.

Early in the Summer of the year 1878, our lamented fellow citizen, Mr. Nathanial Jacobi, went on a business trip to New York and other Northern cities. Imbued with the spirit of Fraternalism, he was wont to visit Lodges of Odd Fellows and of other orders whenever opportunity favored him, and in the course of one of such visits at the metropolis he heard of the organization of the Royal Arcanum and of its splendid features. These appealed to both his business sense and his fraternal inclinations, and he at once determined to join the order and to transplant it in the city and State of his adoption, provided membership therein be forever limited to men of the Caucasian race. After some correspondence with the Supreme officers of the order, he was assured that such limitation would be exacted, and thereupon he opened a list of applicants for a charter for a Council in Wilmington. He soon received the signatures of the following gentlemen, those marked with an asterisk having since passed from life unto death:

Nathaniel Jacobi*, W. J. H. Bellamy, M. D., William Larkins, Jacob Weil, Nathan Greenewald*, Samuel Blumenthal, Roger Moore*, Samuel Northrop*, S. Hanstein, Gustave Rosenthal*, Morris Katz*, J. N. N. Hinton*, Richard J. Jones, Owen Fennell, Abraham Weill*, Allison Alderman, Henry Brunhild*, Nathan Mayer, John D. Bellamy, Emmanuel Levy*, S. H. Fishblate, H. H. Kasprowicz, W. H. Northrop, W. A. Cumming*, Abraham Shrier, Solomon Bear*, Jacob Greenewald, George Honnet, S. Mendelsohn, J. I. Macks*.

On the 9th day of January, 1879, pursuant to a proclamation by the Supreme Regent, the petitioners—except the last four who were out of the city—assembled at Odd Fellows' Hall, and were called to order by Deputy Supreme Regent John J. Wright, of Philadelphia, who had been commissioned to institute a Council of the Royal Arcanum in Wilmington, North Carolina. Directed by him, the petitioners went through certain preliminaries, and adopted the name of the foremost champion of liberty in the Cape Fear section as the name of the pioneer organization of the great fraternity in this State, and also adopted as its motto the following: "Protegimus et providimus". Then the following officers were elected:

Regent—N. Jacobi.
Vice Regent—Owen Fennell, Jr.
Orator—J. D. Bellamy, Jr.
Sitting Past Regent—M. M. Katz.
Secretary—J. N. Hinton.
Collector—J. Weil.
Treasurer—Wm. Larkins.
Chaplain—S. Mendelsohn.
Guide—H. H. Kasprowicz.
Warden—A. Shrier.
Sentry—E. Levy.
Trustees—Dr. W. W. Harriss, S. Northrup, H. Brunhild.
Medical Examiner—Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy.

These officers, except Dr. Mendelsohn, who was not present, were duly installed and then Deputy Supreme Regent Wright, by the authority vested in him, solemnly declared Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231 Royal Arcanum legally instituted and authorized to enter on the mission of "protection and provision", and it did enter into the good work with zeal. By the end of its first year, the young Council more than doubled its membership, raising its membership number to 69. During that year J. N. Hinton, first secretary of the young Council, passed away by death and was succeeded by B. A. Hallett.

In the course of its career this Council has acted on about 300 applications for membership, has initiated about 260 members, lost by death 73 members whose beneficiaries received from the Order $217,500. Upon this dues and assessments amounting to only $41,370.32 had been paid. This sum of benefits, together with benefits paid on account of decedents from Councils outside of Wilmington, swells the sum total of benefits received in this city through Cornelius Harnett Council to about $300,000.

Among its members some of our most prominent citizens are enlisted and from among them the Council has furnished two Grand Regents—Messrs. Joshua G. Wright and I. L. Greenewald.

The following are now the officers of Cornelius Harnett Council:

Regent—R. H. Grant.
Vice Regent—I. H. Weil.
Orator—T. L. Vines.
Past Regent—J. E. Matthews.
Secretary—S. Mendelsohn.
Collector—J. Weil.
Treasurer—R. H. Northrop.
Chaplain—Henry Ortmann.
Guide—J. C. Morrison.
Warden—B. Goodman.
Sentry—A. Silverman.
Trustees—B. Solomon, J. H. Boatwright, I. J. Bear.

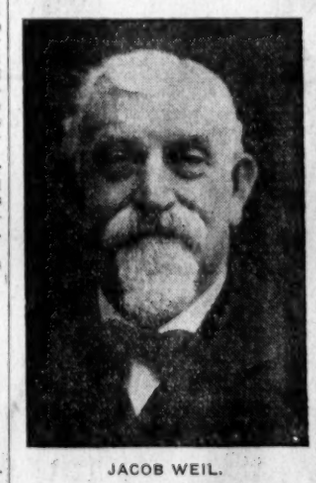
Deceased Members.

Since the institution of Cornelius Harnett Council the following members have entered into the life beyond:

J. N. Hinton, George Myers, John W. Strauss, Jas. Alderman, S. H. Morton, W. A. Cumming, A. Lessman, W. M. Swann, W. Roddick, D. A. Smith, Dr. Thos. F. Wood, Lee Register, D. M. Fennell, R. E. Heide, A. C. Wessell Adolph Bear, Philip Newman, R. W. Chadwick, John K. Brown, E. B. Wiggins, H. C. Brock, H. Schulken, G. Rosenthal, Alexander Johnson, Jr., W. W. Larkins, E. W. Thompson, M. M. Katz, Jos. Price, S. VanAmringe, H. H. Waxman, G. W. Carter, J. R. Latta, L. T. Beatty, W. H. Styron, John Cowan, B. A. Hallett, Dr. W. W. Harriss, Dr. J. C. Shepard, C. G. E. Peschau, Herman Marcus, J. H. Davis, J. D. Webster, C. H. Schulken, Jno. F. Garrell, J. C. Stevenson, Nathaniel Jacobi, J. W. Monroe, J. C. Grimes, L. B. Dozier, Marsden Bellamy, Nixon N. Davis, Armand L. DeRosset, C. T. Mebane, DuBrutz Cutlar, Thos. W. Strange, George Harriss, Roger Moore, J. G. Wright, Abraham Weill, Solomon Bear, Henry Savage, R. B. Clowe, N. Greenewald, J. M. Sherman, J. M. Bunting, T. H. Thompson, J. S. Eron, Henry Brunhild, A. H. Holmes, Samuel Northrop J. A. Jordan, John L. Cantwell, Joseph Sternberger.

Biographical.

Any sketch of early Arcanianism in Wilmington would be incomplete without mentioning at least two members who have been most instrumental in spreading Arcanianism. In this connection we may be permitted to mention Mr. Jacob Weil, who is now collector of Cornelius Harnett Council and who has held that office since the Lodge was first instituted. Mr. Weil was born at Buttenhausen, Germany, October 3, 1842. He came to America when still quite a youth and obtained employment in a large dry goods establishment. In 1863 he entered the Confederate army, enlisting in the 4th Georgia Regiment, and participated in the battles of Seven Pines and Malvern Hill, of Virginia. At the close of the war he settled at Alexandria, Va., thence moved to Warrenton, Va., then to Wilson, N. C., and in the Spring of the year 1874 he finally came to Wilmington, where he has resided ever since. Having learned the dry goods trade in his youth, he stuck to that trade, gradually establishing for himself and his fair business methods an enviable reputation. His patrons know that in all his dealings he is honest, and they rely on his word. Time and again he found it necessary to enlarge his store room, and only recently he acquired by purchase that commodious four-story building, No. 111 Market street, which he remodeled and refitted and which he now occupies. As a fraternalist, Mr. Weil was, or is, a member of several secret organizations. He joined the Masons, the Odd Fellows, the American Legion of Honor, the Bnai Brith, and the Kesher Shel Barzel, but the Order which he loves most is the Royal Arcanum. A charter member of Cornelius Harnett Council, he was elected to the responsible office of collector at the institution of that Council in January, 1879, and annually thereafter he was elected to the same office, holding the record for continued service in the entire order. His term of office, being coeavel with the institution of Cornelius Harnett Council, covers a period of 31 years, and his brethren hope to be able to retain his valuable services for at least 31 years more.



JACOB WEIL.

Collector of Cornelius Harnett Council 231, and Member of Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent.

DR. S. MENDELSOHN.

Past Regent and Secretary Cornelius Harnett Council 231 and Member Committee on Entertainment of Supreme Regent.

Rev. Dr. Samuel Mendelsohn.

Another gentleman closely identified with the rise and progress of the great Royal Arcanum in Wilmington and throughout North Carolina is the Rev. Dr. Samuel Mendelsohn. Like Mr. Weil, he is a charter member of Cornelius Harnett Council, and, like him, he also has been in office, howbeit not in one and the same office, ever since the institution of the Council. In "The Jewish Encyclopedia" (Vol. VII., page 475) we find the following sketch of the Doctor's life:

"Mendelsohn, Samuel: American Rabbi and scholar; born in Shillenlen, Province of Kovno, Russia, March 31, 1850. He was educated in the Rabbinical College, Wilna, at the Rabbinical School, Berlin, and at Maimonides College, Philadelphia, Pa., 1873. In 1883 he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the University of North Carolina. Mendelsohn was Rabbi of the Congregation Beth-El, Norfolk, Va., from 1873 to 1876, since which date he has served as Rabbi of the Congregation Temple of Israel, Wilmington, N. C. Mendelsohn has published "The Criminal Jurisprudence of the Ancient Hebrews" (Baltimore, 1891), in addition to several pamphlets and a large number of articles on subjects of general Jewish interest and Talmudical research, in "Ha-Bofeh", "The Jewish Messenger", "Jewish Record", "South Atlantic Magazine", "American Israelites", and "Revue des Etudes Juives". In 1879 he married Esther Jastrow, a niece of the Rev. Dr. M. Jastrow. He has one son, Charles Jastrow Mendelsohn; the latter was fellow in classics in the University of Pennsylvania (1901-1903), where he also received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1904."

In the above an outline is given of the Doctor's career as Rabbi; to this we add a few lines on his activities as a fraternalist. He had hardly reached his majority when he joined the Order Kesher Shel Barzel at Philadelphia, and after entering on his ministerial office at Norfolk he organized there a lodge of that order. Soon after his arrival in Wilmington in 1876, he performed the same service for the order among his local constituents, and shortly thereafter he joined the Bnai Brith. In 1879 he signed the charter list of Cornelius Harnett Council, Royal Arcanum. In 1882 he enlisted as a charter member of Hanover Council, United States Benevolent Fraternity, and of a lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Honor. He is also a charter member of Wilmington Lodge, I. O. O. F.; of Carolina Council, Order of Chosen Friends; and of Carolina Ruling, No. 345, Fraternal Mystic Circle. In all these orders, with one exception, he has filled important offices and his services were frequently sought after. For two years he was Supreme Resident of the U. S. B. F., having been promoted to that exalted position from the office of Supreme Chaplain, over all his superior officers at that time. For several years he was Grand Councilor of the O. C. F., in this State, and at this time he is Grand Ruler and Supreme Representative at large of the F. M. C.

In Cornelius Harnett Council Royal Arcanum, he was Chaplain from 1879 to 1891, when he was almost forced to accept election to the office of Vice Regent. The year following, he served as Regent, and next year he was elected Grand Representative, which office he still holds, being annually re-elected by his home council. For several years he was treasurer of his council and he is now its secretary.

During all these years he frequently wrote for the Fraternal press and has written several monographs on Fraternalism and Fraternal Insurance. One of these, "Facts and Figures of Fraternal Insurance", is said to have suggested the organization of the American Guaranty Company, a copy of that publication having made its way to some Chicago capitalists who knew how to utilize the Doctor's ideas.

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Intensely practical and to the point was the address of Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the American National Bank, in making response last night at the banquet of the Royal Arcanum in honor of Supreme Regent Clovis H. Bowen and other distinguished visitors. Mr. Cooper ,whose bank has recently been designated as State depository for funds of the Royal Arcanum in North Carolina said in part:

MR. W. B. COOPER.

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If I remember correctly, Dr. Talmage once said that he who would not provide for "his family" was worse than an infidel, and I fully agree with him. It is a crime not to provide for them in life and a worse crime to leave them to the cold charity of the world after we are gone.

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